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CRIMINAL COURT PROCEEDINGS

Arch Turner Pleaded Guilty—Other Murdar Cases Were Not Tried.

A regular term of criminal court convened Monday with Judge A. S. Heck of Coudersport on the bench Following is calendar for the term: Commonwealth vs. Maurice McCrea, involuntary manslaughter; Joe Nichola, carrying concealed weapons; Perry Richardson, larceny; Stanley Engle, murderer; Ralph Franc, two cases murder; Howard Palmer, desertion and non-support; Charles Gallagher, violation of trump act; Danfel Healy, embezzlement; Joseph Focci, larceny; Norman Boyd, desertion and non-support; Frank Spanogle, obtaining money under false pretense; Joe Murry, violation of tramp act; Grant Lunden, desertion and non-support; Frank Jackson, highway robbery; A. B. Cummings and Sarah Cummings, selling liquor without a license; William Renker, obtaining money under false pretense; Mary Morana, larceny; C. L. Walters and P. Northcot assault and battery; Archie Turner, murder.

C. E. Longshore of Kane, was chosen foreman o fthe grand jury and R. C. Pollick constable to wait upon the grand jury.

Following his charge to the jury, Judge Heck called the constables and instructed them in regard to a message from Howard Heinz, federal Food Administrator for the state, which called attention to the provisions of the dog law of 1917. The court charged the constables with their duty to kill all unlicensed dogs wearing a collar without the 1918 license thereon and in this way to prevent to some extent the killing of sheep by stray dogs.

The case of the Commonwealth vs. Ralph Franc who was charged with having committed two murders last Thanksgiving night on River street in Bradford, at which time Mrs. Josephine Rivette and Joseph Pascarella lost their lives, was continued until the June term of court upon the application of the defendant. A similar disposition was made of the case of the Commonwealth vs. Grant Smith on a serious charge.

Charles Gallagher was arraigned for violation of the tramp act. The defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to six months confinement in the Allegany county workhouse. Joe Butler received the same sentence on a similar charge.

The case against Howard Palmer for desertion and non-support was settled by agreement the defendant agreeing to pay $5.00 per week for the support o fhis wife and child and give bond for $500 as surety. A charge of assault and battery against Palmer was settled on condition that the defendant pay the costs.

Joe Finelli charged with assault and battery, was found not guilty and the prosecutor, Claude Pickard, had to share the costs with the defendant.

Tuesday morning Arch Turner, who killed Edward B. Ralph at Turner & Bennett's lumber camp near Colegrove on February 14, while in an intoxicated condition, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter. Judge Heck sentenced him to not less than six years nor more than seven years in the Western penitentiary.

Myrtle Baker, charged with keeping a disorderly house in Bradford, pleaded guilty.

The case of Maurice McCray occupied the attention of the court much of Tuesday's session and yesterday forenoon. He was charged with involuntary manslaughter and the case grew out of the accidental death of Miss Alexis of Mt. Jewett, at 8 o'clock on the evening of August 28. The former's automobile struck Miss Alexis on East Main street, Bradford, just as she stepped out of W. J. Healy's auto and started across the street. The McCray car knocked her down and she later was removed to the Bradford hospital, where her death occurred at 1 o'clock the next morning.

The jury found McCray not guilty of the crime as charged, but the costs of the suit were placed upon him.

The commission appointed to pass upon the mental condition of Stanley Engle charged with the killing of Claude Fields at Hazelhurst has adjourned to meet again March 20, 1918.

Several grades of Oleo from 30c to 37c per pound at Denning's Market Adv.9w3.

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LETTER FROM H. L. THOMAS.

Camp Hancock, Feb. 14, 1918.

Written to B. P. Oviatt:

No doubt you will be some surprised to hear from me, but as I am in the letter writing business to-night I thought I would write you a few lines.

I suppose you have heard some of us were quarantined in the measles camp here. We were in there two weeks and are with our with our Co. once more and we sure were glad to get out of there as it was not as pleasant as one would think.

We could not have things the way we would have liked and our trips to the city once in awhile were cut off. We are getting along nicely with our training. We all have gas masks and drill in them. I cannot say they are very pleasant to wear but we all wear them and make the best of it. We are here to do our bit and I can say the boys from Smethport are doing fine and look good. It would surprise you to see some of us I weigh 170 lbs.; more than I ever did before.

We work hard every day for about 8 hrs. except Wednesdays and Saturdays afternoons. Which are our half holidays. Our Captain leaves tonight for Hoboken New Jersey. I hear he is going there to get a camp ready for us. We will miss Captain Schoonmaker as he has been with us most of the time since coming here. We expect to leave in a short time but cannot say as to the date at this writing. Wm. Nellis and I were down to the city last evening and saw a good show. The house was packed and it is always that way mostly filled with soldiers.

Frank Ellwood and Earl Lyman were calling on me and the rest of the boys from Smethport last week.

They are with the motor machanics and expect to leave for France soon I see by the MINER that Toney Anderson was home on a ten day furlough and also a letter from my brother, Roy, we are always glad to get a MINER to read the letters from the boys in the different camps.

We boys from Smethport that are with Co. C are getting along fine and every one has a very good record with the Co., and I think we have as fine a company as there is in the 28th Division and when we get across the "Pond" we will all try and prove that we can live up to our reputation.

H. L. THOMAS.
Co. C., 112th U. S. Inf.
Camp Hancock.

ATTEMPTED TO WRECK TRAIN.

Last night's Bradford Star-Record says: A dastardly attempt was made this morning to wreck B. R. & P. passenger train No. 12, due in this city from the south at 9:33 a. m.. The train wreckers selected a point between this city and Custer City for their work. A southbound freight crew discovered the plot and removed the obstructions, which included fish plates and ties wired to the rails, before the passenger train reached that point.

DR. DIXON IS DEAD.

Dr. Samuel G. Dixon of the State Department of Health credited with having placed Pennsylvania among the foremost states in public health work and in the treatment of tuberculosis, died at the University of Pennsylvania hospital, yesterday after a long illness from anaemia. He was 66 years old.

SMALLPOX CASE IN BRADFORD.

S. P. Kennedy of No. 122 Congress street, Bradford is suffering with smallpox. The residence has been placed under the strictest quarantine. It is thought Mr. Kennedy contracted the disease during a visit in Oklahoma.

—Yesterday afternoon fire did about $3,000 damage to the boiler shop of Bovald & Seyfang's manufacturing plant at Bradford.

—Read every page of to-day's MINER.

Lost—Silver Ingersoll watch, Marked "Robert". Finder please notify this office. adv9w1.

Wanted—Will buy second-hand sewing machine in good running order. Inquire this office. adv9tf.

WANTER—Man with team to work 70 acre farm on shares. For particulars write or call on Andy L. Fortner, Port Allegany, Pa. adv2t.

—Try the MINER 14 weeks for 50c.

McKEAN COUNTY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE LABOR SERVICE.

Pursuant to instructions from the Committee of Public Safety of Pennsylvania the local director Department of Civilian Service and Labor, R. Kessler, Jr. called a meeting last night at the Farm Bureau Office for the purpose of organizing the McKean County Committee on Agricultural Labor Service whose duties are to make a county-wide effort to supply the farmers with labor. Right here let it be stated that last night's proceedings were entirely preliminary to actual opration and the committee is in no way able at this time to supply farm labor. Notice will be given when actual activities begin.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Kessler and in compliance with instructions named the following persons as members of the McKean County Committee on Agricultural Labor Service: Mrs. Scott Walker, E. A. Studholme, H. J. Rice, F. D. Gallup, Frank S. Backus, R. Kessler, Jr., William Brownell, John A. Entz, P. S. Crossman, A. J. Gilfillan, C. W. Lillibridge, Miss L. A. Baker, T. F. Hungiville, G. W. Mitchell, B. T. Garlick, M. S. Geary, Guy McCoy, and Ross K. Knapp.

After the reading of the State Instructions by Guy McCoy the committee effected an organization by electing Alba J. Gilfillan as permanent chairman who appointed Ross K. Knapp as secretary.

Then the manner of conducting the work was thoroughly discussed and the selection of Henry J. Rice as county farm manager was unanimously agreed upon. Mr. Rice is recommended to the State Board as the active head of the work.

An executive committee was decided upon consisting of the chairman and secretary already named, Farm Bureau Agent P. S. Crossman, Farm Manager H. J. Rice and one member of the county Woman's Division of National Defense.

Further proceedings and developments will be given proper publicity.

HEALTH OFFICER MAKES STATEMENT.

Information to Readers of articles on sanitary condition of pesthouse, etc. in last issue of MINER.

Will welcome any investigation, having a very able man for that purpose in our County Medical inspector who will soon be on the Job. when there is any true alarm.

It took more time and expense to erect the pesthouse for reason it is far away from public road and even to secure guards. A very hard matter the cost of pesthouse 16 x 24 one and half story high and small guard house all fitted out with stoves and various other things needed (no fancy bric a brac) is $228.15.

The patients are furnished with good wholesome food from Coggin's Camp and the guards bring it to pesthouse with usual precaution.

By not having any new cases lately we are very encouraged and hope in less than 2 weeks there will be no small pox patients in Norwich twp.

Yours very truly,
C. M. Benson, H. O.

La FOLLETTE GETS HIS.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 27.—United States Senator Robert M. LaFollette stood condemned today by the upper house of the Wisconsin legislature for failure to support the war.

Following speeches in which the Wisconsin pacifist was branded as a "traitor" and "Judas," the state senate voted 22 to 7 in adopting a loyalty resolution denouncing his utterance toward seditation and reflecting on Wisconsin's patriotism.

The lower house, which passed one loyalty resolution without mentioning LaFollette's name, will be the scene of another bitter fight over this issue Wednesday or Thursday when the senate's amended resolution is taken up.

FOUR ARRESTS EXPECTED.

Four arrests are expected soon at Ridgway in connection with alleged theft of merchandise by freight handlers. Two men taken into custody confessed and implicated two others. A man of considerable prominence is said to be involved. Whiskey, wine, candy and snuff are reported among the articles taken. Since last November merchants all over this part of the country have complained of theft from freight shipments.

Several grades of Oleo from 30c to 37c per pound at Denning's Market Adv.9w3.

COURT HOUSE NOTES.

Marriage Licenses.

Feb. 21—Henry L. Besse of Annin Township and Flora Buckles of Eldred township.

Deeds

C. Y. White and wife to Lettie B. Rhodes, Eldred, $100.

February 20—Bingham Trustee to John Bartley; Lafayette Twp. $4500.30

Caroline Washburne to Frank McCarthy and wife, Keating Twp. $1.

John R. Walker Exr to P. Mildrum, Bradford. $4000.

Nathan J. Weisenbaler, et al to Catherine Weisenbaler, Bradford, $1.

Iroine E. Weisenbaled et al, to Catherine Weisenbaler, Bradford, $1.

Feb. 21—Henrietta Kistler et al to Andrew M. Kistler et al, Hamlin Twp. $1.

Geo. H. Shields and wife to Geo. Russel, Eldred, $1,000.

Feb. 22.—F. A. Wildman and wife to R. T. Beatty, Kane, $1.

Amalia Nelson et al to Test Oil Co., Wetmore Twp., $800.

Feb. 23.—Bfd. Building & Loan Assn to John F. Roche and wife, Bradford, $1.

A. W. Peterson and wife to Geo. W. Olmsted, Hamilton Twp., $150.

Feb. 25—Geo. Sandford and wife to K. Long, Bradford, $300.

Robert Long and wife to H. W. Tracy, Bradford, $1000.

William H. Taylor and wife to Patrick Mullin, Annin Twp. $70.

H. J. Dieter, pres to Frank H. Deagan Degolia cemetery, $16.

Harry Fox to Earl M. Fox, Foster Twp. $5000.

Arthur Kearne and wife to H. P. Ray, Ceres Twp. $600.

Feb. 26—Anders Harold Lungren to Frank Dickson and wife, Kane, $40.

Thomas C. Riley and wife to Mary Welch, Eldred, $600.

Satisfaction of Mortgage.

Feb. 13.—David Lovitz to Rebecca Well and husband Bradford. $400.

Feb. 14.—J. B. Steele Exr. etc. to Margaret, E. Hallett and husband, Bradford, $1800.

Feb. 15—W. H. Fennell to Ara Wilcox, Wright and husband Bradford, $1000.

Bess D. Dwley to Jennie C. McKnight, Bradford, $500.

Feb. 19.—Chalmers B. Jones; Guardian to Martha J. Griffith, Kane, $1500.

Feb. 20—Harry Fox to Earl M. Fox, Foster Twp., $3000.

Feb 22—Katheryn B. Hogan, Guard. to Elizabeth F. Cowdrey, Bradford, $500.

Feb 23—Emma Johnson to August Lindblad Kane, $1200.

Emma Young Hutchinson to Emerson L. Cornelius, Foster twp. $375.

Assignment of Mortgage.

Feb 20—F. R. Campbell to J. E. Cochran, Bradford. $800.

DeBurg Ford to Minnie Disney, Bradford $300.

Feb 21—Anna Wasiner to H. J. Wasiner, Liberty Twp., $1250.

H. J. Wasiner to C. O. Wasiner, Liberty Twp. $1250.

Lease.

Feb. 22—Velma M. Eymer to T. A. Camon. Lewis Run, $1.00.

Elizabeth Foster to T. A. Camon, Lafayette Twp.

Feb. 25—Ella H. Newton et al to A. F. Cupp et al Lafayette Twp. $1.00.

Same to same, $1.00.

Assignment of Lease.

Feb. 13—John G. Robbins et al, to John Wright, Eldred Twp. $2000.

Feb 16.—Frank J. Dasher to C. W. Foster, Bradord Twp. $1.

Nate Well to C. W. Foster, Bradford Twp. $1.

Feb. 20—Earl M. Fox to James G. Paul, et al Foster Twp. $1.

RED CROSS NOTES.

East Smethport Red Cross Pledges.

Name	Monthly	Pd.
C. C. Stull	$1.00	$1.00
Raymond Lynch	1.00	1.00
Dena Fitch	1.00	1.00
C. E. Powell	1.00	1.00
Mrs. J. H. Peeler	.50	1.00
Mrs. Geo. Howe	.50	1.00
Mrs. Sam Walker	.25	.50
Mrs. John R. Cooper,	.25	.50
Mrs. Bessie Burdick,	.50	.50
Mrs. Jennie Chase	.50	1.00
Harold Peeler	.25	.50
Mrs. Otto Okerlund	.25	.50
Mrs. William Cooper	.25	.50
Mrs. A. Schoonmaker	.25	.25
Mrs. I. E. Wikter	.25	.50
Edna M. Ferman	.25	.25
William Howe	.25	.50
Mrs. Henry McGavish	.25	.25
Mrs. C. Dickerson	.25	.50
George Raymer	2.00	
H. A. Ford	1.50	
Ed Dasler	2.00	
Eugene Haynes	2.00	
Samuel Cox	1.50	1.50
William Lewis	1.50	
Herman Sheldon	1.50	
Hugh Abbey	1.00	
Sylvanus Keesler	1.50	
Grant Carpenter	2.00	2.00
William Bliven	2.00	2.00
George Bliven	2.00	2.00
Allan Hyde	2.00	3.00
Edwin Okerlund,	.50	.50
William Ford	1.50	1.50
Mrs. Wm. Tanner	.25	.50
Miss Crystal Cunningham	.25	.50

Burbanks Red Cross Pledges.

Name	Monthly	Pd.
C. P. Haen,	$ .50	$5.00
F. A. Gallup,	.50	5.00
H. D. Comes	.25	.50
E. D. Comes	.25	.50
Mrs. A. L. Gallup	.50	.50
Mrs. Ada H. Burdick	.25	.25
Mrs. Clara F. Reves	.25	.25
L. D. Haen	.25	.25
Mrs. L. A. Boyer	.25	.25
Mrs. J. V. Gallup	.30	.30
Mrs. Nettie M. Fulmer	.25	.25
Mrs. Richard Griffin	.25	.25
Mrs. Clell Carnes	.25	.25
Mrs. A. P. Olson	.25	2.50
Coryville		$4.50
Lena Martin, Clermont,		$5.00

Finance

The Finance Committee needs more money to carry on the work of the local chapter American Red Cross and the suggestion is made that as many people as possible double their present subscriptions beginning with March. This is a patriotic duty and should appeal to all thinking people who possibly can afford to do so. This has already been done voluntarily by several people and others that at first refused to pledge have now offered to give. Perhaps a little consideration of the purchasing power of a dollar may be of interest in this connection—it will buy a little more than enough yarn to make a pair of socks, a little more than enough material to make a surgical shirt but not enough to make a pair of pajamas.

A parable has been told of a soldier who threaded his weary way to the Colonial's dugout after having been in half a dozen skirmishes in as many weeks, scratched and weary but still intact. After saluting he said, "Colonel, I think will have to quit. The battles are getting to be so many that it is rather to much of a good thing. I have given about all I can of time and strength and blood to this war and I am going home. No this didn't happen, but why shouldn't it? Some of the people at home are taking this attitude. Because the calls are so many, they are turning down the appeals that come from the Red Cross and other equally worthy causes.

The collection of the March pledges will begin Monday, March 4th and people are urged to be ready when the collector calls.

Meetings.

The ladies of St. Elizabeth's church had fourteen ladies in attendance at Red Cross Rooms on Wednesday, February 20 and refreshments were served by Mrs. T. F. Hungiville and Mrs. E. T. Daly. There was a good attendance yesterday and refreshments were served by Mrs. T. H. Purtle and Mrs. Mary L. Bisett. A collection is taken at each of these meetings and it is desired that as many of the ladies of St. Elizabeth's as possible can plan to attend these weekly meetings.

The members of the W. C. T. U. spent Tuesday afternoon sewing at Headquarters.

THEY HAVE GONE TO THE COLORS

Five Soldiers Left Monday Night Almost Competing Draft.

Five more men left Monday night for the National Army training grounds at Camp Lee they were:

Earl Terry, Smethport.
Clyde Studder, Port Allegany.
Leo Golden, Port Allegany.
Otto A. Peterson, Ludlow.
Andrew B. Anderson, Kane.

The young men left on the 6:15 Pennsylvania train and the Smethport Home Guard and a large delegation of citizens accompanied them to the station and wished them good fortune and a safe return from their service in behalf o ftheir country.

Only three more men are necessary to make up McKean county's quota in the first draft and these have not been called at this writing.

Lowell Wettenhall of Smethport and Carl Sampson of Port Allegany recently volunteered and have left for camp. These men are inducted into service on their own application.

PERTINENT REMARKS ON GOOD ROAD QUESTION.

Eldred Eagle: While Smethport, Eldred and all points up and down the Allegany valley, are sleeping, the interests back of the county good roads movement from Port Allegany, continue active for one of the first slices of the 50-50 county plan to be used on a 4½ mile strip from Port Allegany to the Potter county line.

This proposed piece of road would accommodate but a small part of McKean county people, and, as they are the ones who pay the bills, a consideration of the majority interests should be insisted upon.

Last week a meeting was held in Port Allegany with representatives from Potter county present, and the whole spirit of the meeting was for a good road between Port Allegany and Coudersport, and that too to be out of the first funds available under this county's bond issue.

No matter how inconsistent with McKean county interests, this plan may be, at this time, it betokens an activity on the part of the residents of both districts that set a good example for the rest of the county to follow.

But, as compared to the 4½ miles necessary to afford Port Allegany a drive to Coudersport, there is the 30-mile strip from Eldred to Mt. Jewett, right thru the heart of McKean county, serving also as a connection with the Kane road now contracted for, and the Bradford via Rew City road, also, the next probable to be built.

The question before the taxpayers of the county is; shall the first monies be expended for the benefit of Potter county or for the benefit of McKean county?

SAYS THERE ARE NO GROUNDS FOR COMPLAINT.

The MINER is informed from a reliable source that there are no good grounds for complaint concerning the smallpox pest house at Coggins Camp, near Betula. When the smallpox outbreak occurred at the camp there was no other building at all suitable, except the one mentioned. It was out of the question to build one on account of weather conditions, and the difficulty of getting through the woods to and from the isolated building was obviated by using the railroad track.

Our informant says that the site was approved by both the county and state authorities and is as good sanitary condition as any pest house in the country could be under similar circumstances. The patients receive treatment from Dr. Cummings of Betula and are well and carefully cared for, and are as contented as is possible for them to be with the ailment that confines them.

Four policeman in the employ of the state are on duty to preserve the quarantine. The patients are afflicted with only a light form of the disease and one patient has been allowed to return to the big camp as cured. Two or three others of the seven now in isolation are nearly recovered, and as no new cases have occurred since February 11, the authorities are hopeful that the outbreak is over.

HAPPILY WEDDED AT CERES.

Miss Isabel Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Roberts, became the bride of Charles J. Whiteside of Duluth, Minn., Saturday evening at the home o fthe bride's parents in Ceres.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. H. Crocker of Olean in the presence of 50 guests, among whom were many out of town people.

The bride was gowned in white georgette crept with silver trimmings and carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses. She was unattended.

Two nephews of the bride, Harrison and Jean Roberts, acted as ring bearers. The procession marched up the aisle of white ribbons held by four classmates of the bride, Miss Rowena Raymond of Ceres, accompanied by William McElroy, played the wedding march. The house throughout was prettily decorated with flags, greens and flowers.

Covers were laid for twelve at the bride's table, which was centered with daffodils.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

The H. W. Roeder farm at Farmers Valley is offered for sale or rent with the privilege of buying. Possession can be had March 1, 1918.

ELMER ROEDER,
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8w2 Administrators.

Several grades of Oleo from 30c to 37c per pound at Denning's Market Adv.9w3.

MEDICAL MEN IN THE ARMY

Estimated That the Government Will Require Services of Two Out of Every Nine Physicians.

When Uncle Sam sends his fighting forces to the front he will require the services of 24,000 officers and 120,000 enlisted men for the army medical and sanitary corps. It has been estimated says Popular Science Monthly, that the army will need two out of every nine physicians in the country.

The average number of physicians receiving orders has been about two hundred a day. As fast as accommodations are ready these medical officers are sent to training camps. They go ahead of the troops in order that sanitary preparations may be made for the men.

The medical training camps at Fort Riley, Fort Benjamin Harrison and Fort Oglethorpe take care of 1,000 student officers and 1,800 enlisted men. Besides these each camp has four ambulance companies, four field hospitals and one evacuation company. That colored troops may have their own medical officers there is a training camp for colored medical and sanitary detachments.

SURE

"Now you must treat George nice when he calls."

"It ain't up to me to treat him. It's his place to treat me."

Critic's Blunder.

Ian Hay, the famous author of "The First Hundred Thousand," tells an amusing story against himself. It seems that after his great war-book had brought him popularity his publisher revived some of his earlier stories and published them. They were well received, although the author regarded them rather as amateur efforts. But a critic in New York waxed enthusiastic over them and congratulated him on his improvement as a writer since the production of his popular book.

Spinach Sauce for Baked Fish.

Two tablespoonfuls of butter, two tablespoonfuls of flour, one-half cupful spinach puree, pepper, salt, one cupful milk, one tablespoonful lemon juice. Place the butter and flour together in a double boiler and blend thoroughly together; then gradually stir in the milk. When smooth and thick stir in the spinach puree (boiled spinach passed through a sieve), and the lemon juice. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Parsley sauce is made by adding crushed parsley instead of the spinach.

Tempting Dessert.

Did you know that one delicious way of cooking rice for dessert is to use fruit juice to cook it in, such as you have left over from a can of fruit or stewed fruit, instead of water? Rice cooked in raspberry juice or strup left from canned or stewed raspberries is delicious and attractive, as it takes up the color as well as the flavor. Served with cream, it makes a dainty dessert. Cook it in the proportions of one tablespoonful of raw rice to one-third or slightly more of a cupful of the juice.

A Child's Wisdom.

A boy was asked which was the greater evil, hurting another's feelings or his finger.

"The feelings," he said.

"Right, my dear child!" said the gratified listener. "But why is it worse to hurt the feelings?"

"Because you can't tie a rag around them," answered the child.

Drink Through Tube.

A Rhode Island inventor's drinking device consists of a cup to be placed under a faucet and a telescoping tube through which the contents can be drawn into the mouth.

Clean Coral Beads.

Dissolve a teaspoonful of borax in a pint of warm water, dip the coral in the water and when clean pass through tepid water; dry by rolling in a soft towel.

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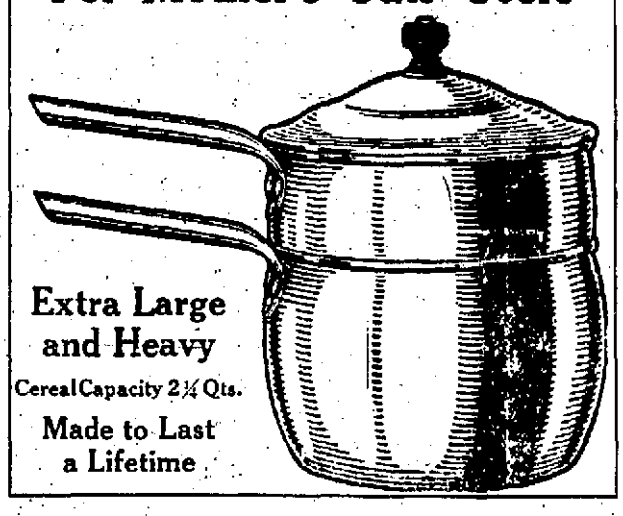
For Mother's Oats Users



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Buy from your grocer five packages of Mother's Oats, or of Quaker Best Corn Meal, or five packages of the two combined. Send us your grocer's sales slip for the purchase and send $1 with it. We will then send this cooker to you, all charges prepaid. This offer is good for one week only, and it applies to this vicinity alone. Address,

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The result is superlative corn meal, yellow or white. The yellow looks like grains of gold — the white like marble dust. It makes bread and muffins, porridge, puddings and pancakes vastly better than any crude corn meal.

Get the Yellow or White in round packages with tops. See how good corn meal can be.

These Grocers Will Feature the Cooker Offer Next Week

D. M. BRASTED, Smethport, Pa.
F. W. BROWNELL, Smethport, Pa.
THE COLEGROVE GROCERY, Smethport, Pa.

J. S. McCARTHY, Smethport, Pa.
P. H. McAHON, East Smethport, Pa.
W. C. DALY, Successor to G. M. Morrison, Smethport, Pa.

G. H. DENNING, Smethport, Pa.
G. C. DOUGLAS, East Smethport, Pa.
W. W. Hewitt, Smethport, Pa.
J. A. LINDHOLM, Smethport, Pa.

J. W. PICKERSGILL, Smethport, Pa.
T. H. PURTLE, Smethport, Pa.
F. L. THORNTON, East Smethport, Pa.

PORT ALLEGANY WINS AGAIN.

The high school basket-ball team almost surprised the Port Allegany team by walking off with the game played with that team last Friday evening. Faced by a large handicap, the local boys out-scored their opponents in the second half and almost repeated their performance against Eldred the previous week by overhauling and passing the Port tossers. The game generally considered by the large and enthusiastic Port Allegany crowd to be about the fastest of the year, finally ended with the score 35-30 in favor of Port Allegany.

The Smethport boys did not seem to get going well in the first half. The only reassuring fact was Howe's ability to find the basket on fouls, as he scored eight out of a possible 11 ties. Only two field goals were made, as against six baskets and six foulgoals scored by Port. The half ended 18-12 in favor of Port. The second half, Smethport clearly outplayed their opponents. The ball was in their hands for practically the whole while. At the start of the half a series of shots evened the score, but Port managed to again pull away with a sufficient margin to win out. In this half Smethport nine times found the ring from the floor Port tallied eight times. The home team had a good chance to draw up in the matter of fouls, for there were six free-throws awarded Smethport, but none of these counted.

Catlin was easily the Port stellar performer, as he accounted for 21 of the 35 points. Miller, the other forward, scored four times, Carlson twice, and Larson once. For Smethport Howe caged four from the field, Malcolm and Workley three, and Smith one. McCarthy, though he did no scoring, is to be credited with playing a fine game as he was forced for the greater part o fthe game to guard two men. Howe led the attack ably assisted by Malcolm and Workley. There is little question that the team showed a great advance in form over their first appearance against Port.

Port receives credit for winning both halves of the series of games played between the two schools this year. The first game occurred on the local floor two weeks ago and was won by the visitors by the score of 36-27. Both games were exceedingly fast and are worthy of mention for the finely sportsmanlike manner in which the players acquitted themselves. Large credit for the clean playing of the men is due to Schmidt of Smethport and Roberts of Port who refereed and umpired both contests. The summary follows:

Port Allegany 35		Smethport 30
Catlin	f	Malcolm
Miller	f	Smith
Carlson	c	Workley
O'Connor	g	McCarthy
Larson	g	Howe

Substitution—Lemon for O'Connor.

Field goals—Catlin 7, Miller 4, Carlson 2, Larson 1, Malcolm 3, Smith 1, Workley 3, Howe 4.

Foul Goals—Howe 8 out of 17, Catlin 7 out of 14.

Time of halves—20 minutes.

Score at end of First half—Port 18, Smethport 12.

Referee and Umpire—Schmidt and Roberts.

BETULA SOLDIER WRITES.

Fort Tarry, N. Y., Feb. 9, 1917

My Dear Sister and family: I am in marked quarters now for two weeks as I just got out of the hospital Monday night. We haven't had a boat in here since Monday until to-day, when there were two boat loads of eatables and the paymaster's boat arrived. We have some nice noncommissioned officers and some that are not so nice. We had inspection this morning and everything of mine was O. K. but, believe me, some of the boys got the growl. I have a good bed and a good room—sharing the room with 20 other men. You ought to see the ice when they flash the searchlight on it. It looks just like fires and is all piled up in big cakes as far as you can see.

Now, sister, don't worry about me. I am all right and will be home when I get a furlough to see you all. I think they will give us a chance to go home and I will surely take the chance.

I must close now as it is just about time for retreat, and right after that comes supper and you know I don't want to miss that.

Good-bye, with love to you all and kiss the children for me.

Lovingly, your brother,
CHARLES F. MILLER.
Battery A, 56 Regt., Fort Tarry, N. Y.

The foregoing letter was written to Mr. Miller's sister, Mrs. Milo Oviatt of Betula. He enlisted December 13, 1917. He was one of the 500 who left Williamsport, December 15, for Fort Slocum and was later transferred to Fort Tarry. He is well known in this vicinity as he made his home with his sister at Betula.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

At the Baptist church Sunday, March 2nd: Subject; 11 a. m. Hell as the rich man found it 7:30 p. m. A great day and a great question; hear this before the next draft.

W. P. Wheeler, Pastor.

Buff Rock Cockerels, $3.00. Hens Pullets for breeding. GUY McCOY. adv7tf.

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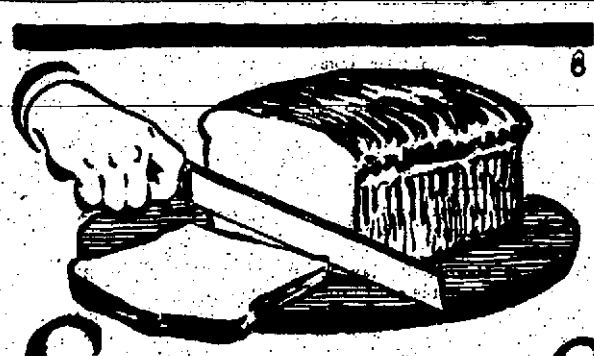

Save a loaf a week — help win the war

FURNITURE

We respectfully call your attention to the fact that all our Furniture is worth your notice. You will get good, honest Furniture, the kind that is up to date and well made.

H. H SASSE Furniture, and Wall Paper Undertaking in All Its Branches

MANY WOMEN

WHO HAVE BEEN DOING BUSINESS with us have added materially to the efficiency of our Bank, and their interests in our institution is much appreciated.

WE ARE ALWAYS GLAD to be of service in making plain the many puzzling questions that arise with reference to a Bank account.

It is always a pleasure to co-operate and serve you.

GRANGE NATIONAL BANK,
Smethport, Pa.

McKean County Miner

Smethport, Pa., February 28, 1918

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Al. H. Pierce has purchased a Studebaker car of Clark Dunn.

—The Lindholm Grocery advertises some attractive pieces to-day.

—Victor Engstrom after a tussel with sickness, is again able to attend to business.

—Mrs. T. F. Hungiville, who has been sick, is now able to be about, which is good news to her friends.

—Thomas H. Ryan a Smethport sailor boy, has returned to the navy yard at Hoboken, N. J. after a short furlough passed here.

—The Hamlin Bank & Trust Company contribute space for a War and Thrift Stamp advertisement which will be found on page eight.

—The Bradford Business Men's Association has a quarter page of page six of to-days MINER to announce the three big dollar days—Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

—The famous Welsbach lights are extensively advertised on page six of to-days issue. If you are not a user of these excellent lights you will be soon after reading what Chas. W. Masser has to say in the big ad.

—C. K. Gregory of Niagara Falls, N. Y. has accepted a position with the Fry Company, sucessor to Fry & Comes. The Gregorys are well and favorably known here and their many friends will be glad to welcome them back to Smethport.

—Terry McGovern, former featherweight champion of the world, died in the Brooklyn hospital Friday. He had been ill at that institution for some time. He was 37 years old. McGovern was born in Johnstown, Pa. Death came to him in a charity ward as the result of pneumonia and complications.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pickersgill have received a message that their son, Ghordis, has arrived safely in France. Almost every day word comes that a young man from this vicinity has reached the land of war, and the fervent hope is that they may all return safely to their homes.

—Miss Ina Milroy sustained a severe fall on the street while on her way home on Friday. She was in an unconscious condition for several hours as a result of striking the back of her head and for a time serious injury was feared. However, the young lady quickly rallied from the shock after regaining consciousness, and with the exception of a severely bruised head has entirely recovered.

—At midnight Wednesday the paper mill whistle at Johnsonburg was blown, to notify the foreign residents who live along the Clarion River, near the Pennsy station, that the water would soon rise high enough to enter their homes. The alarm was given that the dam had broken and a mad rush ensued. The street leading from the settlement was clogged with people carrying trunks, bedding and other household articles. A large number of goats were also in the motley procession. Those who saw it say it was a never to be forgotten sight. The water soon came and flooded the section.—Ridgway Advocate.

SEED CORN INVESTIGATION.

Since the appearance of the last article in the paper concerning seed corn the Farm Bureau has located four or five thousand bushels in different places which if the germination test were high enough would be suitable for McKean County. Upon testing twenty-five ears from the crib of the man with whom the Farm Bureau expected to deal, it was learned that this corn only germinated a little better than fifty per cent. which would mean that you would necessarily have to plant double the amount. Some of the counties are purchasing corn from this man even though they know the test is low.

County Agent in several of the counties where seed corn is available had tested the seed corn of 288 farmers up until February 10th and of these 288 samples, 122 germinated less than 50 per cent. This is true not only in Pennsylvania, but of other states which show how critical the seed corn situation is.

The Farm Bureau has located some corn that germinated 90 per cent. or better, but this man asks five cents per bushel more, but is very cheap at $2.75 per bushel. This corn will be bought for seed, seventy pounds of ear corn to the bushel which were you buying shell corn you would get fifty-six. At this price which is less than half what you would be required to pay seed houses the farmer could not furnish the bags. All those who place orders should send bags sufficient to hold the amount o ftheir order to the Farm Bureau office where they will be properly tagged and forwarded to the farmer. In this way your bags will be returned to you. Any bags that will hold ear corn will be sufficient.

In reference to the pay for the corn, we expect to have the men pay when they receive their corn from the car.

This corn is not a flint corn but is the earliest dent that we can possibly get. It is supposed to have been a cross of a flint and a dent. The approximate season of this corn is 90 days.

Sheep Suggestions.

The following are a few suggestions to keep in mind at this time of the year:

1. If the ewe is in good physical condition a quarter of a pound of a grain mixture per ewe is sufficient, this amount to be fed four to six weeks prior to lambing. Grain should not be introduced into the ration or increased materially within a week of lambing, as it may cause milk fever. After the lambs have made a start the grain ration should be increased to one-half pound per animal, and by any additional amount considered necessary to meet existing conditions. Shepherds prefe wheat bran, oats and oil meal for breeding ewes.

2. Regularity cleanliness and quiet must rpevail in the successful feeding of pregnant ewes.

3. One of the difficulties in managing breeding ewes during the winter is their tendency not to exercise sufficiently. The ewes should be placed on pasture or fields to exercise and gather weeds or dead grass. When the snow is too deep, paths may be made and hay or grain strewn in them which will cause the ewes to exercise.

4. Several days before lambing, remove all the loose and dirty wool about the udder and the tags about the hind flanks. Lambs will suck these tags and strands of wool, which form wool balls in the intestines and cause death.

5. The lambing season is the most critical period in the management of the flock. The shephear, therefore, should be alert to save a high per centage of his lambs, on which his profits depend.

SILVER MEDAL CONTEST.

The W. C. T. U. Siler Medal Contest. Friday Evening, March 1st. at at 7:45, at the Methodist Episcopal Church.

PROGRAM.

America ..... Audience.
Inovocation ..... Rev. Wheeler
Piano Duet .... Miss Lillian Raymer and Miss Janette Herriman.

Class No. 1.

Contestant No. 1.—The best Drink for Children.
Contestant No. 2—Ignorance is Bliss not always.
Contestant No. 3.—The Little Prohibition Crank.
Contestant No. 4.—The Orphans Prayer.
Contestant No. 5.—The Cigarette Boys.
Contestant No. 6.—Vote for the Boys.
Contestant No. 7.—Tommy's Logic.
Vocal Duet .... Mrs. E. E. Bouton and Miss Fahlman.

Class No. 2.

Contestant No. 1.—'Tis only Cider.
Contestant No. 2.—The Temperance Flag.
Contestant No. 3.—A Little Boys Plea.
Piano Duet ..... Miss Herriman and Miss Harriet Herzog.
Contestant No. 4.—A Tribute to the Flag.
Contestant No. 5—The Battle is on God Calleth for You.
Contestant No. 6.—The Boy. Pledge Solo ..... Rev. J. S. Fleming

Class No. 3.

Contestant No. 1.—A Boy on Prohibition.
Contestant No. 2.—The Tramp.
Contestant No. 3.—Uncle Sam and the Saloon Keeper.
Contestant No. 4.—The Convicts Warning.
Judges retire.
Solo, ... Mrs. Bouton.
Awarding of Medals.
God of Our Fathers ..... Audience.
Benediction.

IF YOU BUY OUT OF TOWN AND I BUY OUT OF TOWN, WHAT WILL BECOME OF OUR TOWN?

THE DOLLAR YOU SPEND IN SMETHPORT WILL "COME HOME TO BOOST."

THE McKEAN COUNTY MINER

BUY AT HOME CAMPAIGN

Read the article with care. They may present something you hadn't thought of before. Patronize the people whose cards are here. They are your neighbors and will treat you right. The money you spend with them stays in circulation in Smethport.

Just Draw Your Automobile In

We will do the rest, we can repair any make of car and we can fix you out with all kinds of accessories. Firestone Tires etc. Our Garage is always open for business. Boost for Home Trade we do. Smethport Garage Co.

Dollar Day Bargains for March 2.

25 yds all linen Torchon lace for $1.00
25 yds Cambric Embroidery 1 to 4 inch for $1.00
$1.15 Sheer Hdkf linen 1 yd for $1.00
125 Umbrellas, Ladies and Gents for ..... $1.00.

THE FRY COMPANY.

One by One of All Classes.

Are discovering that our cleaning and pressing service represents completeness all our work is thoroughly done. We also handle a full line of Wear-You-Well Shoes, try them and you will be pleased. *James T. Chisholm.*

LOOK AT LINDHOLM'S PRICES.

Rolled Oats ..... 8c lb.
Tomatoes, ... 9c can.
Shredded Wheat, ... 13c box.
Coffee ..... 21c lb.

We Use No Chemicals.

Or injurious acids in our Laundry pure soap and water does the business. We call and deliver to any part of the town. Boosters for Home Trade.

Smethport Steam Laundry

We Want Every One in this Vicinity

To know we will not be undersold in Boots and Shoes all our stock is standard goods, and, we believe in small profits, and quick sales. See us first. Repairing done while you wait.

Anderson & Carlson

We Always Carry a full Line.

Of all kinds of fancy and staple groceries that will always be handled at a fair price. We don't believe in getting rich quick. We are ready to live and let live. Get our prices first. It will pay. W. W. Hewitt, Grocer.

Pure Drugs are Essential to

Health. Be sure they are pure. See us for all kinds of drugs. We carry full line of sundries, toilet articles, bathroom and sick room supplies. We are boosters for Home Trading. See us first. H. C. Wells, Druggist.

See Us and See Better.

Have you ever been examined by an authorized graduate of Optometrist. Now you are not taking any chances so come in and talk it over. Large line of Jewelry. Engstroms Jewelry and Optometrist.

PICTURES ARE NOT ALWAYS TRUTHFUL

Some Mail Order Houses Find Them Very Useful in Their Business.

CAN "DOCTOR" PHOTOGRAPH

Concerns Can Give Wrong Impressions With Illustrations While Sticking to Truth in Descriptions.

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"Figures never lie," it has been claimed, but this is far from the truth. The defaulter who has "doctored" his books in such a way that he has escaped detection for years, knows that figures can be made to lie. The shrewd politician, who knows how to juggle statistics, knows that they can be made to tell a story that is far from the truth.

But there is another medium of expression which is also supposed to be a stickler for truth, but which is a greater prevaricator than figures. That is a picture. A picture of any person or thing, supposedly, is an exact reproduction of the original, but this is frequently only a wild supposition. The photographer who did not make his picture tell a little fib now and then would soon go out of business from lack of patronage.

Pictures Better Than Words.

Pictures have come to occupy a very important place in the life of the world in recent years. It has been said that for newspaper purposes a picture which tells its story strikingly is worth more than columns of written words on the same subject. Newspapers and magazines have realized the truth of this fact and as a result pictures are used profusely in illustrating the news and fiction of the day.

No one has been quicker to realize the possibilities of the picture when properly—or it might be said improperly—used, than the mail order man. He has realized that a picture will do more to sell his kind of merchandise than a column of words and figures. One reason for this is that it is harder to catch a picture in a lie than it is printed words and figures. For instance, if you sell a man a table on the strength of a printed statement that it is 48 inches wide and if when the table reaches the customer it is only 36 inches wide, the customer not only has a moral right to kick, but he has a legal right to accuse the seller of obtaining money under false pretenses. However, if the customer buys a table which looks in a picture to be 48 inches wide, but which proves upon its arrival to be only 36 inches wide, he has no legal grounds upon which to base a complaint if the seller has not told him in so many words that the table was 48 inches wide.

Stick to Truth in Figures.

Some unscrupulous mail order houses have taken advantage of this selling power of pictures in a very ingenious way. They adhere strictly to the truth in the actual measurements given in their catalogues of the articles which they have to sell. They may employ descriptions which exaggerate the qualities and appearances of the articles offered, but when it comes down to actual measurements the descriptions given are technically correct. Then these concerns rely upon their pictures to sell the merchandise, realizing that a picture will make a far deeper impression upon the mind of the prospective buyer than the actual figures given. A picture of a wide, roomy bed will attract the eye and the reader probably will not stop to measure off the width of the bed as it is described in the catalogue to see whether it is as wide as desired. Figures, in the abstract, mean little to the average reader and do not convey the impression that is given in the picture.

A former manager of a mail order house tells how his concern manipulated pictures in this way to suit its purposes. It had pictures of its chairs retouched so that the legs seemed to be an inch and a half in diameter, when they were really less than an inch. It made narrow beds appear in the picture to be wide and comfortable. Posts of iron beds that were really an inch in diameter were made to appear as if they were three inches in thickness. These things are easy for any competent artist to do.

Patrons Had No Recourse.

This concern, however, adhered rigidly to the truth in the measurements included in the descriptions. Customers who found, when they received their goods, that they were not what they expected, could kick, but it would do them no good. The mail order house could show that it had set forth the measurements truthfully in catalogues, and there was no recourse for the customer.

There is no question but that pictures will lie, sometimes without any manipulation, and the person who buys an article of merchandise from a picture is taking big chances, even though the picture is not intentionally altered to give a wrong impression. Any amateur photographer knows from experience how the camera often will give a wrong idea of proportions.

The only safe method is to buy from the local merchant where one sees the article itself and not a picture of it. The article itself cannot lie about its dimensions, at least.

THE BISETT SHOP

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We are Always the First

to display the latest creations in Ladies Hats and Millinery. We keep in constant touch with Fashion large line of trimmed and untrimmed Hats on hand. Mrs. Clair White.

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Quality Groceries. Phone 64 J.

Never Send Out of Town

for groceries until you get our prices. We can compete with anyone, anywhere. Make us prove it. Boost for Home Trade—it will pay. The Colegrove Grocery.

Housewives of Smethport.

Just simply insist on having your bread orders come from Home Bakers. Don't use any outside baked goods. It hurts the town. Try our products. You will like them better. J. W. Pickersgill —Bakery.

Get Our Prices First On

All kinds of Hardware, Paints, Oils, Chinamel, Guns, Ammunition and all kinds of Sporting Goods. You will find our prices and treatment right. Boost for Smethport and home trade. Bernard T. Garlick.

Just received by express, heavy sweater yarns; Kahkia Gray and Blue, $4.00 lb. MASSER BROTHERS.

All Furniture Looks Alike in

a photo. Never buy furniture from a picture. Get our prices and terms on your furniture we stand back of every thing we sell. Our prices will make you a home buyer. H. H. Sasse.

Never Send Away for Hardware

You will find our large assortment of Hardware, tools and farm implements of all kinds can be bought at Prices that will beat any catalogue House, We are boosters for Home Trade buy at home it will pay us all. Chas. W. Masser.

ELDRED

Twn Boys and a Girl Increase Population—A Scarlett Fever Case.

E. J. Parmeter was taken to the Olean hospital last Saturday, where he was operated upon for bladder trouble. He is reported as recovering as well as could be expected.

Howard Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Clark, is ill with scarlet fever, and is under quarantine.

Charley Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foster, is ill with scarlet fever.

Fred Armstroang was out from Brocton, Sunday.

Born, Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. P. Brooks, of West Eldred, a girl.

Mrs. A. N. Ray of Knoxville, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Colegrove.

Richard and Robart Williams of Camp Wardsworth, S. C., visited their parents here this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rosenswie, Wednesday, twin boys.—Eagle.

—Try the MINER 14 weeks for 5oc.

CLOSING OUT TRIMMED HATS.

Winter is nearly over—soon be time to think of spring. You can secure some very pretty trimmed hats now, well worth the money if only to wear until Easter.

advtf. MRS. CARRIE CLARK

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Smethport, Pa., Thursday, February 28, 1918

Through an annoying mistake by which the copy was lost the following interesting article did not appear last week. The following is a statement of the sales of War Saving Stamps and Thrift Stamps in the cities and towns in the county. These figures are up to February 1st.

		Per Capita
Bradford,	$21,257.25	$1.47.
Kane,	15,263.25	2.32.
Port Allegany,	1,361.25	.67.
Smethport,	7,247.50	3.92
Mount Jewett,	755.00	.43
Eldred,	1,257.50	1.01.

Some of the towns, you see, have done remarkably well while the others are away behind. May I ask you to give publicity to the above statement and also urge your readers the necessity of getting behind the movement and making it a success in your locality? There must be at least twenty dollars per capita of these Stamps sold in McKean County during this year. H. H. Redfield, Chairman. Almost every paper in the county that published this report announced in effect that there was going to be a great effort made to bring up the per capita average in its particular locality. Smethport has the proud distinction of leading the list by a wide margin, but it is going to take some liberal buying to maintain this lead. As a starter let every person who reads this article go out and buy a Thrift Stamp just as soon as convenient.

That we Must save food not only to feed our own soldiers and suffering allies but to keep those at home from actual hunger is becoming more apparent every day. No matter what the cause the cold fact is facing us that we must save for the very near future or go without. That there is an abundance of food stuffs in the country is admitted, but until the department heads in Washington get through passing the buck and attend to the proper distribution of that food we must accept present restrictions and prepare for much more stringent ones which must be as cheerfully borne as our various dispositions will permit. There has been no general suffering in any section for lack of food up to the present time, but the food administrators from Mr. Hoover along down the line are warning the people that actual want may soon result if food-consumption orders are not obeyed to the letter. It is up to us not only to obey but for each and every individual to make it his business to save non-perishable food. Don't eat too much, but clean your plate should become a national slogan.

Next week the MINER expects to publish the story of Herbert Smith, a narrative that is unique in the history of McKean County. This young man, now 20 years old, was born in Crosby and started out at the age of ten years to become a desperado. How he was changed from this inclination, largely through the efforts of Sheriff E. W. Jones aided by the kindly assistance of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Breneman and others, forms the first chapter of Herbert's interesting career. Then he became a soldier of fortune and is at present a private in the British army, recovering from a fever contracted in the trenches of Northern France. The amount of adventure and unusual experiences this young man has crowded into his twenty years of life make interesting reading matter, and the information is all obtained directly from the boy and those who know him best.

What does it mean to "put in your best licks" to win the war? Every lick you give a Thrift Stamp is helping to lick the Kaiser. Don't lick up too much liquor. Lick every man that is giving aid or comfort to our enemies, or if that beyond your licking ability lick another Thrift Stamp.

Mr. Heinz of the Food Administration asks the newspapers to suggest to patrons ordering new supplies of bill-heads, envelopes and stationery from the printers that they have imprinted on same the conventional little card: "Food will win the war. Don't waste it. U. S. Food Administration."

The Eldred Eagle devoted more that a column of its space last week in an endeavor to point out the MINER'S short-comings past and present. In regard to the MINER'S alleged "slip off the elephant's back" some seven or eight years ago, which seems to give the Eagle's editor great concern, we will have to plead an alibi. During those years we were over in New York state devoting our puny but well meant efforts to the newspaper business and voting the Republican ticket as often as the election came around. And with all our failings past and present, and there's a lot of them, we have always voted the Republican ticket without any Lincoln party, Washington party or Bull Moose camouflage, since we became entitled to cast a vote. Can't stop to argue whether that is a fault or a virtue, but it is nevertheless a fact. During the past three years we have known the MINER as a staunch Republican paper; for reasons that need not be set forth here it might not have been as active and outspoken as some of its friends could desire, but that is another story. If the Eldred Eagle wishes to gloss over senseless mistakes and glaring blunders through a mistaken sense of patriotism it is at liberty to do so. If it is politics to criticise an administration that is rapidly bringing economic conditions in this country to the level of wartorn Europe, then we say—hurrah for politics. The people of the United States are getting pretty well "fed up" upon a management of affairs that cries in effect: "We cannot get the food to ship to Europe; that we cannot get the ships to carry the food we havent got." But enough of this. Bennie, if in the kindness of your heart you ever gave us a base on balls "to help our batting average," there were three men on bases at the time and a little old safety first was needed—that was the only sore spot sustained by the aforesaid column of attention. Now, that we have had quite a sociable chat for the past few weeks let us get at the business of winning the war—each in his own peculiar way.

Doctor Samuel G. Dixon, Commissioner of Health, is seriously ill in the University Hospital of Philadelphia. Doctor Dixon was on one of his trips of inspetcion of the State's Sanitoria last summer, when he was stricken while at Mont Alto. He remained there several weeks and later recovered sufficiently to go to his home at Bryn Mawr. During his illness, covering in all, about six months, Doctor Dixon has been in daily touch with his office and has each week written his little "talks on Health" in which he is so much interested. For the present, however, his physicians have requested him to conserve his strength, feeling that the writing of these "Talks" taken with his many other necessary duties was not fair to the treatment and, as a consequence, the Weekly Talks will be discontinued until his health has sufficiently improved to permit his resuming the work without unduly taxing his strength.

That the Germans are not going to organize Russia into a vast feeder for the Kaiser's war machine without a whole lot of trouble is the most cheering feature of the world's war at present from the allies standpoint. Those in a position to know say that even absolute domination of Russia by Germany can bring no immediate improvement of the food situation to the latter country. Russia's harvest was neglected last fall. Many crops were left to freeze and rot in the fields and because of the dilapidated condition of Russian railways the food stored in isolated localities can not be transported without a great amount of preliminary building and repairs. Given time Germany can make Russia a valuable asset to the business of carrying on the war, but for the next year the Muscovite country is going to be only a big source of trouble.

Home gardens should be an important feature of everyone's summer plans. No matter if you did not have great success last year—the season was against you and it is hardly probable that the same unfavorable conditions will prevail again this year. Every vacant lot in Smethport should be cultivated. Backyards should furnish their quota of the ammunition that is going to win the war. Plant hardy staple crops and cut out the fancy vegetables and you will be far more satisfied with results. Potatoes, corn and beans are generally the three leaders in this section and potatoes and beans give the best results for the least care of any vegetables that can be grown here. Of course nearly everyone will want to raise tomatoes, cabbage and "small stuff," but make the potatoes, corn and beans the big feature.

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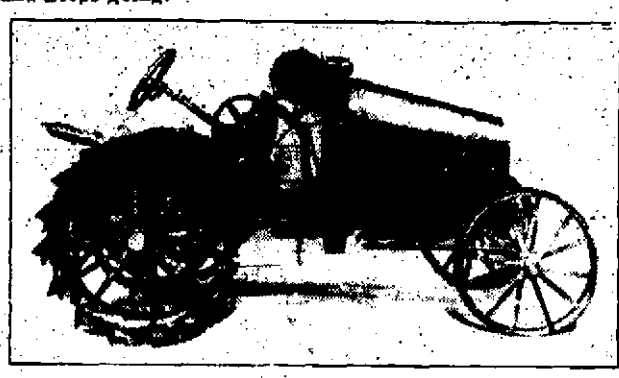

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Come in any day and look over over this tractor. You'll find it mighty interesting.

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ARE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SHOD FOR ALL KINDS OF WEATHER—
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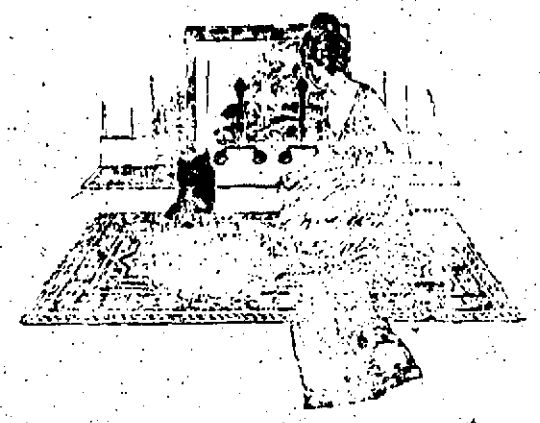

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Felt, 15c to 50c yard.	27 x 54 Tap	$1.75
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Congoleum Rugs, 27x54, for $1.00.	27 in Velvet carpet yd	$1.75
All sizes 9 x 12 in stock.	27 in Tap Carpet yd	$1.35
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OPPORTUNITY.

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On display next week the largest and most Complete line of curtains. Curtain yard Goods. Draperies and Cretone ever on display in Smethport. This advance showing is of goods purchased last summer and the quality and prices will not be duplicated later.

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THE SUGAR SUPPLIES THIS YEAR WILL BE IN LARGER DEMAND THAN EVER, AND THE SUPPLY IS GOING TO BE SHORT. I HAVE A QUANTITY OF SYRUP CANS, AND MY SAP BUCKETS HAVE BEEN SHIPPED. YOU WILL MAKE NO MISTAKE BY PLACING YOUR ORDER NOW AS THEY WILL BE HARD TO GET LATER ON.

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Smethport, Pa., February 28, 1918

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—John Bloomster of Kasson is critically ill.

—The Fry Company's ad. quotes interesting prices.

—Masser Brothers ad. has a spring-time flavor this week.

—Henry J. Rice has been appointed State Deputy of the Grange.

—Mrs. F. J. Masser entertained the Kensington Knitting Club last night.

—Miss Margaret Sartwell entertained the young ladies knitting club last Friday night.

—Waldo Engstrom of Buffalo, formerly of Smethport, has enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps, and left on February 12 for Port Royal, S. C.

—Holmes and Gilfillan in an enlarged ad. on page four, call attention to tractors. This is a subject that should interest farmers at the present time as they go a long way in solving the spring labor problems on the farm.

—Smilage books are now on sale at the banks, postoffice and several other places about town.

—Saturday night the Wood Rim factory building, the largest, in Bradford, was burned to the ground. This factory was to be used for a proposed new oil engine industry. It is thought that the fire was kindled by some miscreant.

—George Oviatt, who is in the aviation service, writes from Waco, Texas, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Oviatt of East Smethport, that he is in excellent health and has gained 20 pounds in weight since entering the service.

—Mr. and Mrs. John A. Lindholm entertained eighteen friends Monday night in honor of Mrs. Ray Powers who has returned to her former home in Rochester, N. Y., Mr Powers has passed his examinations and is now in the U. S. Aviation service.

—"Over the Top." appears upon page seven this week. Later we hope to be able to run larger installments of this story each week. A few copies of last week's paper containing the commencement o fthe story are still on hand and may be obtained from this office.

Mr. and Mrs. John Forrest will return to St. Petersburg, Florida, tomorrow. Hon. A. W. Mitchell and sons, John and George, of Erie, will go with them, accompanied by Miss Calkins of Smethport.

—From a letter recently received by his mother, Mrs. S. R. Lindsley, it is learned that Russell Lindsley expects that his company will leave its present quarters, soon presumably for service on "the other side."

—Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rice recently received a letter from their son, Ralph, who has been employed in Detroit, informing them that he had enlisted in the aviation corps of the U. S. army. He is now in a Texas training camp.

—John B. Eastman has been appointed by the U. S. Food Administration local representative of the Merchant's Division of the Administration. His duties will be along educational lines in making use of printed material supplied by the division.

—Parents are requested not to send children to this office for the government seeds. Twice this week business has been brought to a standstill by a mob of little folks who demanded free seeds. Consequently a rule has to be made to prevent this practice or we would be beseiged every day.

—A debate was held by the Rhetoric Club of the Smethport High School, Monday morning. The question was: Resolved:—That girls should enter the Athletic Association. The negative side took the affirmative into camp by a vote of 20 to 2, the class acting as judges. The line-up was as follows: Negative—Glen Mencer, Clara Hungiville, Katherine Slagle. Affirmative—Alfred Smith, Elbertha Natello, Alma McCarthy. This information is furnished by "a scholar."

—The Rushford, N. Y. Spectator, which has the largest circulation of any country weekly published in that state, announces that it will not issue a paper this week, because the draft will take the editor, Harlan H. Woods, as last week it took the typesetting machine operator, M. E. Thompson. The writer worked on that paper for several years leaving there January, 1, 1918 and can appreciate and sympathize with the trials of the owner, D. W. Woods, who is also father of the editor called away.

RED CROSS NOTES.

At the meeting an Friday evening, March 1st the committee that was to have served last week will serve. This committee is Mrs. Amandus Engstrom, Mrs. John Carlson, Mrs. S. E. Bell and Miss Tretton.

The D. A. R. Auxiliary met on Monday afternoon at Headquarters with about twenty in attendance. Considerable work was accomplished and refreshments were sered by Mrs. Elizabeth Gallup and Mrs. J. S. Walker.

The Cononada Camp Fire Girls met on Tuesday evening and worked on a layette for a Belgian baby. This work is being undertaken by all three of the local Camp Fire and a number of outfits will soon be ready for shipment through the local chapter, the material being provided by the Camp Fires.

THE KID HAS GONE TO THE COLORS.

The Kid has gone to the Colors
And we don't know what to say;
The Kid we have loved and cuddled
Stepped out for the flag today.
We thought him a child, a baby,
With never a care at all,
But his country called him man size,
And the Kid has heard the call.

He paused to watch the recruiting,
Where fired by the fife and drum,
He bowed his head to Old Glory
And thought that it whispered, "Come;"
The Kid, not being a slacker,
Stood forth with patriot joy
To add his name to the roster—
And God, we're proud of the boy.

The Kid has gone to the Colors;
It seems but a little while
Since he drilled a schoolboy army
In a truly martial style.
But now he's a man, a soldier,
And we lend him a listening ear,
For his heart is a heart all loyal,
Unscourged by the curse of fear.

His dad, when he told him, shuddered,
His mother, God bless her, cried;
Yet, blest with a mother nature,
She wept with a mother pride.
But he whose old shoulders straightened,
Was grand-dad—for memory ran
To years when he, too, a youngster,
Was changed by the Flag to a man!

—W. M. HERSCHELL.

World's Greatest Weavers.

The ancient Indians of Peru are now regarded as the world's greatest weavers. This noteworthy revelation in the history of textile art is the result of the critical examination of many rich and beautiful tapestries and other fabrics executed by the gifted ancient Indian population of Peru. Though buried three centuries or more in the sandy desert after being made with primitive handlooms and other weaving implements, these wonderful fabrics are now found to be superior to those turned out by the automatic looms of the great mills of today. The primitive Peruvian handloom consisted of two sticks, one at the top and one at the bottom.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank Oviatt of Betula was in town Monday.

J. B. Eastman was an Olean visitor Saturday.

Hon. R. B. Stone of Bradford was in town this week.

Miss Gussie Nellis visited friends in Buffalo last week.

Hon. R. B. Stone of Bradford was in town this week.

Mr. Dee Comes returned from Buffalo last Tuesday evening.

Attorney John E. Mullin of Kane, attended court this week.

Francis Quirk and Ed Griffin were in Toledo, Ohio, last week.

Miss Adelaide Gallager visited her home at Davis over Sunday.

Attorney C. W. Catlin of Port Allegany was in town this week.

Harold Black of Olean, N. Y., spent Sunday with Lawrence Drake.

F. A. Selander of Marvindale was a pleasant caller at this office Thursday last.

W. L. Burdick of East Smethport visited O. J. Burdick of Marvin Creek, Sunday.

Fred J. Masser left Tuesday for a business visit in Syracuse and New York City.

W. S. Engle and son, Edward, of Hazelhurst were callers at this office Tuesday.

John J. Roberts of Ceres was in town this week and called on the MINER Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Chadwick spent the week-end in Buffalo and Niagara Falls visiting relatives.

Miss Helen McGowan visited her brother, Chas McGowan and family at Crosby, Sunday last.

J. C. Breneman was in town from Kane, where he now resides, greeting his friends this week.

Mrs. Fenton Whelan and daughter Lucy returned Saturday night from a visit in Olean, N. Y.

Miss Grace Kerr came from her studies at Olean and spent Saturday and Sunday at her home here.

Mrs. A. M. Thamm of Bradford visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Abbey at East Smethport Sunday.

Health Officer Chas. Benson of Norwich township made the MINER office a pleasant visit while in town Monday.

Editor C. O. Laymon of the Port Allegany Reporter, was a caller at this office while transacting business in town Monday.

Prof C. W. Lillibridge, Prof. John A. Entz and Miss Hazel McAllister attended the Teachers Meeting at Eldred Saturday.

Leonard Carlson, who attend a Philadelphia college, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Carlson, during the past week.

Miss Margaret Sasse, bookkeeper at Westbrooks Academy, Olean, passed the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Sasse.

Miss Adelaide Barbour, who attends Westbrooks Academy at Olean, visited her aunt, Mrs. T. W. Camp, for the week-end.

Lawrence Drake, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Drake, a Westbrooks Academy student at Olean, visited his home here during the past week.

Mrs. S. A. Burdick and Miss Dollass will entertain the knitting club at a six o'clock dinner, Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Burdick.

Ellot C. Thomas Abel and Sergeant Robert N. Pryce of Corning, N. Y., were pleasant callers at the Tupper Lake Chemical Co., office Tuesday.

Miss Mayme Potter, who attends Bryant and Stratton business college in Buffalo came home for the week-end and in company with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potter, visited Bradford Saturday.

John Haley, formerly of Smethport, was in town this week serving as a grand juror. Mr. Haley now sells automobiles and insurance in Kane. He was a social caller at the MINER office while in town.

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$1.00 for $1.45.

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One dress shirt (any size) worth 75c
One Silk Tie worth.... 50c
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Total $1.45

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These rugs were bought at prices considerably under present quotations and we recommend them to you as splendid values. If rugs are on your spring purchasing list and you care to save a few dollars and at the same time secure floor coverings, rich in design and sterling worth, you will find this an offering of much interest.

Sizes range from the smallest 18 in. x 36 in. to 9 ft. x 12 ft. Prices run from $1.00 upward.

The nine by twelve foot size may be had in various prices from $9.75 for a wool and fibre to $65.00 for a beautiful Bagdad Wilton.

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25 yds All Linen Torcheon Lace for $1.00
25 yds Cambric Embroidery 1 to 4 in. for $1.00
$1.15 Sheer Hdkf. linen 1 yd for $1.00
$1.25 Umbrellas, ladies and gents for.... $1.00

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Unbreakable Mirrors, Match Safes, Pillows
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RUGS, LINOLEUMS, DRAPERIES, WINDOW SHADES.

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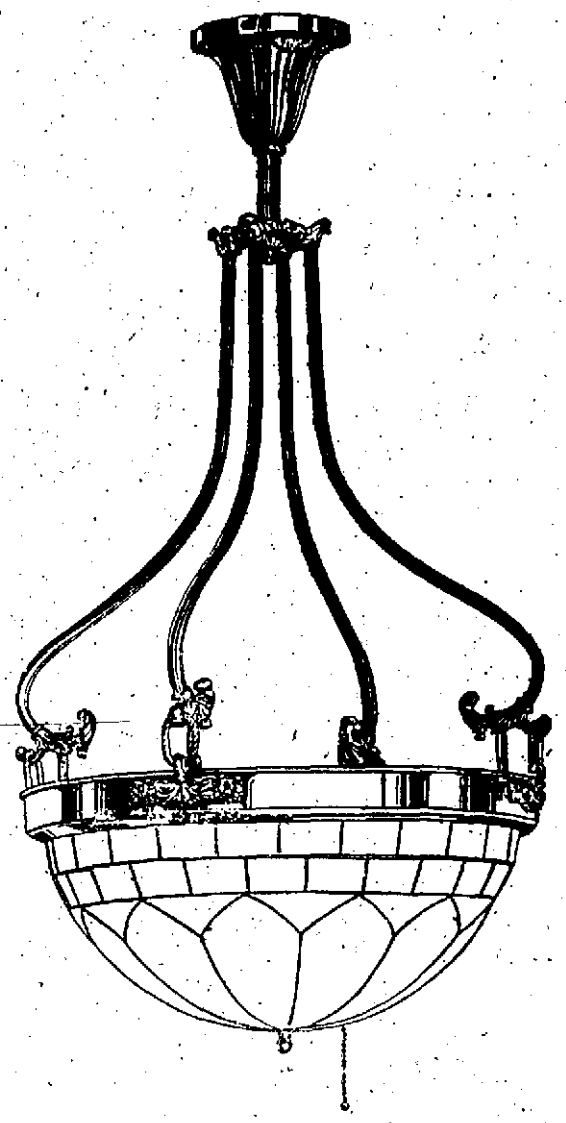

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No. 131 leaded Opal Art Glass Bowl. Decorated with band of green panels..

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Through our agreement made with the Welsbach company, whose desire it is to exploit this wonderful fixture in every city, arrangement has been made to install in your home for one week's trial, without any obligation whatsoever on your part any of the designs on display in our salesroom or illustrated in their catalog.

If you do not agree with us that it is the most wonderful and highest candle-power fixture ever offered for sale for residence lighting, we will gladly remove it as willingly as it was installed.

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The Welsbach Kinetic Bowls will give from 240 to 320 candlepower, according to the size of the bowl at a cost of one cent for four to six hours burning.

Figure how much light you really have in your home. The average gas lamp gives from 60 to 80 candlepower when in perfect shape. The electric lamp a watt per candle-power.

You'll never know how dark your home is and what a beautiful glow of welcome you can obtain until you have tried the New-Welsbach Kinetic Bowl.

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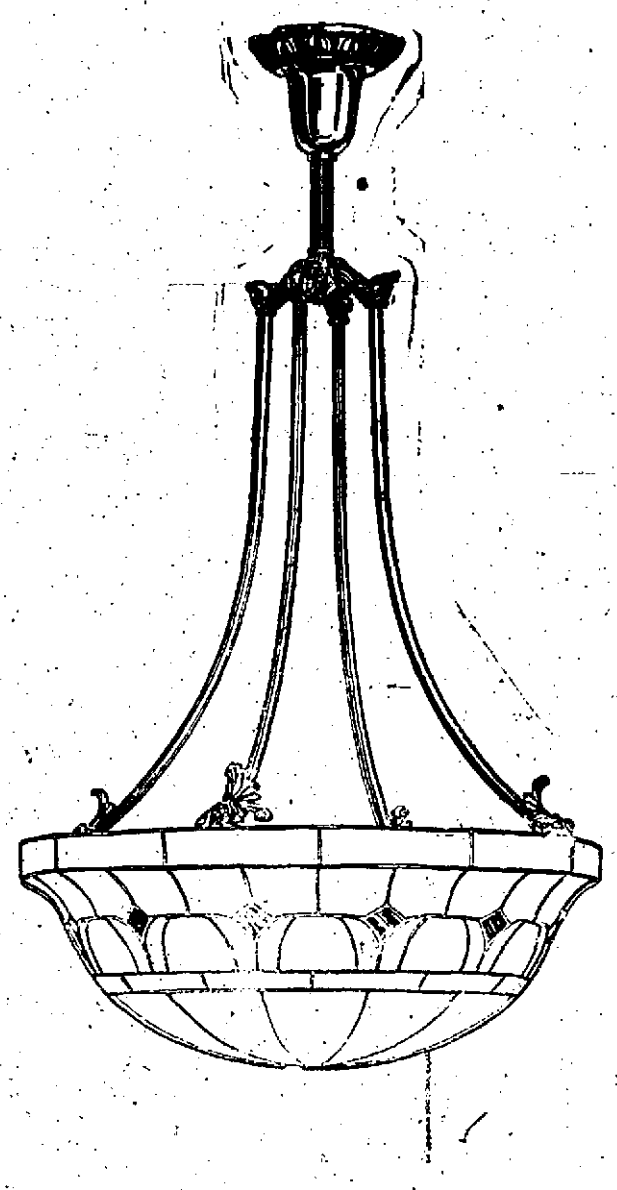

No. 1640.
...18 in leaded Art Glass Bowl, Amber diamonds.

BRADFORD

Inquest Over Sudden Death of a Young Man.

An Inquest was held Saturday morning at Koch's undertaking rooms into the sudden death of Marion N. Crowell which occurred Friday night in his home. Drs. R. K. Russell and O. S. Hannum conducted the autopsy and concluded that death was due to asphyxiation although no conjecture was made as to the probable cause of the asphyxiation. The body was taken yesterday morning to West Sparta, N. Y., where funeral services will be held and burial made.

Friends in this city were notified recently of the death of L. A. Mattimore of Los Angeles, a former well known Bradford man, which occurred in a hospital at Los Angeles, February 12th. Deceased was at one time engaged as foreman of the B. R. & P. shops in this city, and was one of the charter members of Bradford lodge, Modern Woodman.

John Hurley of Bradford, Pa., enroute to La Habra, Cal. stopped over in Tulsa last week to visit friends. Then he proceeded on his trip across the continent. Mr. Hurley will be identified with gasoline manufacture in California with his brother, Arthur Hurley—Arthur H. Henry, an oil and gas man of Bradford and Pittsburgh, Pa., is a business visitor in Tulsa this week. He is here to look over the oil situation and ma decide to locate here permanently.—Oil and Gas Journal.

At a hearing before Alderman E. F. Williams Saturday night, a Mrs. Russell of this city was arraigned charged with obtaining money under false pretense. It is alleged the woman collected funds in the name of the Red Cross which she appropriated to her own use. The woman was bound over to court.

LA FAYETTE

Coal Mines to be Worked—Injured His Hand.

Mrs. Ella Newton and Mr. F. G. Henny are ill with grip at their respective homes.

Mrs. Wm. Schneller is quite ill at at her home here. She is suffering with neuritis, Dr. Monagan of Mt. Alton is attending her.

Miss Alice Johnson teacher of Timbue school will direct an entertainment to be given by her pupils Fri. evening February 22 at the Timbue school house. Admission will be charged and the proceeds used to purchase a flag for the school house.

Mr. and Mrs Harry Roberts of Gutfey visited the latter's sister Mrs. Wm. Schneller Sunday.

Frank Glass of Simpson visited Mrs. B. Webb Sunday. Mr. Glass recently returned from Camp Hancock, Ga., having been discharged from Co. C., owing to heart trouble.

A force of men arrived in LaFayette Tuesday to begin operations on the coal mines back of LaFayette. These mines were worked some years ago but have been closed for a long time.

C. Crouse of the Great American and Pacific Tea Co., was in LaFayette one day last week.

Elry Baker who was ill at G. A. Taylor's suffering from an attack of stomach trouble is again able to be at work.

While working on the Emery Lease at Riterville, Tuesday Ralph Beeman broke through an old board walk, throwing him against some moving machinery and bruising his left hand quite severely. He will be laid up for several weeks.

VICTORY BREAD NOW.

Food Administrator Hungiville Issues Warning.

T. F. Hungiville, federal food administrator of McKean county calls the attention of bakers to an order recently issued by the United States Food Administrators, warning all bakers that they must be prepared to use at least 20 per cent wheat flour substitutes in their output on and after February 24th. This order became effective Sunday and will be strictly enforced. Excuses that substitutes are not obtainable will not be accepted and bakers who are not in a position to conform to this government regulation will be obliged to temporarily closed down their business.

Mr. Hungiville also announces that in the sale of graham flour and whole wheat flour, retailers may sell these products only on the basis of six-tenths of a pound of wheat flour substitutes for every pound of graham flour and whole wheat flour purchased.

FOR SALE.
One good pair of young horses.
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"STIRRED UP THE ANIMALS"

Kokomo Youngster, Monkey and Auto Horn Raise Bedlam in a Petoskey (Mich.) Park.

Haynes Starbuck, five-year-old son of A. E. Starbuck, of Kokomo, literally "stirred up the animals" in the city park at Petoskey, Mich., recently, relates the Indianapolis News. The senior Starbuck is a member of America's hay-fever brigade, and spends the "season" at Harbor Springs with his family.

On one of their drives the Starbuck family and their guests visited the Petoskey park, which has a small zoo. While the party was strolling about in the park a young monkey leaped into Mr. Starbuck's car and began throwing rugs and cushions to the ground. Haynes Starbuck came back to the car and found Mr. Monkey sitting on the hood, examining the radiator cap.

The lad climbed into the driver's seat and pressed the button of the electric horn. The monkey cleared 20 feet through the air, landing in a tree. But soon it came back and once more mounted the hood, this time trying to unscrew the radiator cap.

The Starbuck boy let loose a series of blasts on the horn, and this time the monkey did a Wilbur Wright to the head of an elderly woman at the side of the driveway. The woman shrieked, the monkey chattered, the horn cut loose again, and then two eagles awoke in their cage and turned loose freedom's call. All the other birds began screaming, the ducks in a pond near by set up an ear-splitting clatter, while the coyotes yapped loudly. Then, high above all the racket, rose a series of blood-curdling wails and howls from two big wolves.

Mr. Starbuck gathered his party and left, but it was more than an hour before the usual peaceful calm of the park was resumed.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Fired by the news of the sinking of the Lusitania by a German submarine, Arthur Guy Empey, an American, leaves his office in Jersey City and goes to England where he enlists in the British army.

CHAPTER II—After a period of training, Empey volunteers for immediate service and soon finds himself in rest billets "somewhere in France," where he first makes the acquaintance of the ever-present "cooties."

CHAPTER III—Empey attends his first church services at the front while a German Fokker circles over the congregation.

CHAPTER IV—Empey's command goes into the front-line trenches and is under fire for the first time.

CHAPTER V—Empey learns to adopt the motto of the British Tommy, "If you are going to get it, you'll get it, so never worry."

CHAPTER VI—Back in rest billets, Empey gets his first experience as a mess orderly.

CHAPTER VII—Empey learns how the British soldiers are fed.

CHAPTER VIII—Back in the front-line trench, Empey sees his first friend of the trenches "go West."

CHAPTER IX—Empey makes his first visit to a dugout in "Suicide Ditch."

CHAPTER X—Empey learns what constitutes a "day's work" in the front-line trench.

CHAPTER XI—Empey goes "over the top" for the first time in a charge on the German trenches and is wounded by a bayonet thrust.

CHAPTER XII—Empey joins the "suicide club" as the bombing squad is called.

CHAPTER XIII—Each Tommy gets an official bath.

CHAPTER XIV—Empey helps dig an advanced trench under German fire.

CHAPTER XV—On "listening post" in No Man's Land.

CHAPTER XVI—Two artillerymen "put one over" on Old Pepper, their regimental commander.

CHAPTER XVII—Empey has narrow escape while on patrol duty in No Man's Land.

CHAPTER XVIII—Back in rest billets Empey writes and stages a farce comedy.

CHAPTER XIX—Soldiers have many ways to amuse themselves while "on their own."

CHAPTER XX—Empey volunteers for machine gun service and goes back into the front-line trenches.

CHAPTER XXI—Empey again goes "over the top" in a charge which cost his company 17 killed and 41 wounded.

CHAPTER XXII—Trick with a machine gun silences one bothersome Fritz.

CHAPTER XXIII—German attack, preceded by gas waves is repulsed.

CHAPTER XXIV—Empey is forced to take part in an execution as a member of the firing squad.

CHAPTER XXV—British prepare for the Big Push—the battle of the Somme.

CHAPTER XXVI—In a trench raid, preceding the Big Push, Empey is desperately wounded and lies unconscious in No Man's Land for 36 hours.

CHAPTER XXVII—After four months in a British hospital, Empey is discharged as "physically unfit for further war service."

"All you have to do," he said, "is to go out on the street, and when you see a young fellow in mufti who looks physically fit, just stop him and give him this kind of a talk: 'Aren't you ashamed of yourself, a Britisher, physically fit, and in mufti when your king and country need you? Don't you know that your country is at war and that the place for every young Briton is on the firing line? Here I am, an American, in khaki, who came four thousand miles to fight for your king and country, and you, as yet, have not enlisted. Why don't you join? Now is the time.'

"This argument ought to get many recruits, Empey, so go out and see what you can do."

He then gave me a small rosette of red, white and blue ribbon, with three little streamers hanging down. This was the recruiting insignia and was to be worn on the left side of the cap.

Armed with a swagger stick and my patriotic rosette, I went out into Tottenham Court road in quest of cannon fodder.

Two or three poorly dressed civilians passed me, and although they appeared physically fit, I said to myself, "They don't want to join the army; perhaps they have someone dependent on them for support," so I did not accost them.

Coming down the street I saw a young dandy, top hat and all, with a fashionably dressed girl walking beside him. I muttered, "You are my meat," and when he came me I stepped directly in his path and stopped him with my swagger stick, saying:

"You would look fine in khaki; why not change that top hat for a steel helmet? Aren't you ashamed of yourself, a husky young chap like you in mufti when men are needed in the trenches? Here I am, an American,

Swearing In a Recruit.

came four thousand miles from Ogden, Utah, just outside of New York, to fight for your king and country. Don't be a slacker, buck up and get into uniform; come over to the recruiting office and I'll have you enlisted."

He yawned and answered, "I don't care if you came forty thousand miles no one asked you to," and he walked on. The girl gave me a sneering look; I was speechless.

I recruited for three weeks and nearly got one recruit.

This perhaps was not the greatest stunt in the world, but it got back at the officer who had told me, "Yes, we take anything over here." I had been spending a good lot of my recruiting time in the saloon bar of the Wheat Sheaf pub (there was a very attractive blonde barmaid, who helped kill time—I was not as serious in those days as I was a little later when I reached the front)—well, it was the sixth day and my recruiting report was blank. I was getting low in the pocket—barmaids haven't much use for anyone who cannot buy drinks—so I looked around for recruiting material. You know a man on recruiting service gets a "bob" or shilling for every recruit he entices into joining.

Recruit is supposed to get this, but he would not be a recruit if he were wise to this fact, would he?

Down at the end of the bar was a young fellow in mufti who was very patriotic—he had about four "Old Six" ales aboard. He asked me if he could join, showed me his left hand, two fingers were missing, but I said that did not matter as "we take anything over here." The left hand is the rifle hand as the piece is carried at the slope on the left shoulder. Nearly everything in England is "by the left," even general traffic keeps to the port side.

I took the applicant over to headquarters, where he was hurriedly examined. Recruiting surgeons were busy in those days and did not have much time for thorough physical examinations. My recruit was passed as "fit" by the doctor and turned over to a corporal to make note of his scars. I was mystified. Suddenly the corporal burst out with, "Blime me, two of his fingers are gone." Turning to me he said, "You certainly have your nerve with you, not 'alf you ain't, to bring this beggar in."

The doctor came over and exploded, "What do you mean by bringing in a man in this condition?"

Looking out of the corner of my eye I noticed that the officer who had recruited me had joined the group, and I could not help answering, "Well, sir, I was told that you took anything over here."

I think they called it "Yankee impudence," anyhow it ended my recruiting.

CHAPTER II.

Blighty to Rest Billets.

The next morning the captain sent for me and informed me: "Empey, as a recruiting sergeant you are a washout," and sent me to a training depot.

After arriving at this place, I was hustled to the quartermaster stores and received an awful shock. The quartermaster sergeant spread a waterproof sheet on the ground and commenced throwing a miscellaneous assortment of straps, buckles and other paraphernalia into it. I thought he would never stop, but when the pile reached to my knees he paused long enough to say, "Next, No. 5217, 'Arris H company." I gazed in bewilderment at the pile of junk in front of me and then my eyes wandered around looking for the wagon which was to carry it to barracks. I was rudely brought to earth by the "quarter" exclaiming, "'Ere you, 'elp it; tyke it aw'y; blind my eyes, 'e's looking for 'is batman to 'elp 'im carry it."

Struggling under the load, with frequent pauses for rest, I reached our barracks (large car barns), and my platoon leader came to the rescue. It was a marvel to me how quickly he assembled the equipment. After he had completed the task, he showed me how to adjust it on my person. Pretty soon I stood before him a proper Tommy Atkins in heavy marching order, feeling like an overloaded camel.

On my feet were heavy-soled boots, studded with hobnails, the toes and heels of which were reenforced by steel half-moons. My legs were incased in woolen puttees, olive drab in color, with my trousers overlapping them at the top. Then a woolen khaki tunic, under which was a bluish gray woolen shirt, minus a collar; beneath this shirt a woolen belly band about six inches wide, held in place by tie strings of white tape. On my head was a heavy woolen trench cap, with huge earlaps buttoned over the top. Then the equipment: A canvas belt, with ammunition pockets, and two wide canvas straps like suspenders, called "D" straps, fastened to the belt in front, passing over each shoulder, crossing in the middle of my back, and attached by buckles to the rear of the belt. On the right side of the belt hung a water bottle, covered with felt; on the left side was my bayonet and scabbard, and intrenching tool handle, this handle strapped to the bayonet scabbard. In the rear was my intrenching tool, carried in a canvas case. This tool was a combination pick and spade. A canvas haversack was strapped to the left side of the belt, while on my back was the pack, also of canvas, held in place by two canvas straps over the shoulders; suspended on the bottom of the pack was my mess tin or canteen in a neat little canvas case. My waterproof sheet, looking like a jelly roll, was strapped on top of the pack, with a wooden stick for cleaning the breech of the rifle projecting from each end. On a lanyard around my waist hung a huge jackknife with a can-opener attachment. The pack contained my overcoat, an extra pair of socks, change of underwear, hold all (containing knife, fork, spoon, comb, toothbrush, lather brush, shaving soap, and a razor made of tin, with "Made in England" stamped on the blade; when trying to shave with this it made you wish that you were at war with Patagonia, so that you could have a "hollow ground" stamped "Made in Germany"); then your housewife, button-cleaning outfit, consisting of a brass button stick, two stiff brushes, and a box of "Soldiers' Friend" paste; then a shoe brush and a box of dubbin, a writing pad, indelible pencil, envelopes, and pay book, and personal belongings, such as a small mirror, a decent razor and a sheaf of unanswered letters, and fags. In your haversack you carry your iron rations, meaning a tin of bully beef, four biscuits and a can containing tea, sugar and Oxo cubes; a couple of pipes and a pack of shag, a tin of rifle oil, and a pull-through. Tommy generally carries the oil with his rations; it gives the cheese a sort of sardine taste.

Add to this a first-aid pouch and a long, ungainly rifle patterned after the Daniel Boone period, and you have an idea of a British soldier in Blighty.

Before leaving for France, this rifle is taken from him and he is issued with a Lee-Enfield short trench rifle and a ration bag.

In France he receives two gas helmets, a sheepskin coat, rubber mackintosh, steel helmet, two blankets, tear-shell goggles, a balaclava helmet, gloves and a tin of antifrostbite grease which is excellent for greasing the boots. Add to this the weight of his rations, and can you blame Tommy for growling at a twenty-kilo route march?

Having served as sergeant major in the United States cavalry, I tried to tell the English drill sergeants their business, but it did not work. They immediately put me as batman in their mess. Many a greasy dish of stew was accidentally spilled over them.

I would sooner fight than be a waiter, so when the order came through from headquarters calling for a draft of 250 re-enforcements for France, I volunteered.

Then we went before the M. O. (medical officer) for another physical examination. This was very brief. He asked our names and numbers and said "Fit," and we went out to fight.

We were put into troop trains and sent to Southampton, where we detrained, and had our trench rifles issued to us. Then in columns of twos we went up the gangplank of a little steamer lying alongside the dock.

At the head of the gangplank there was an old sergeant, who directed that we line ourselves along both rails of the ship. Then he ordered us to take life belts from the racks overhead and put them on. I have crossed the ocean several times and knew I was not seasick, but when I buckled on that life belt I had a sensation of sickness.

After we got out into the stream all I could think of was that there were a million German submarines with a torpedo on each, across the warhead of which was inscribed my name and address.

After five hours we came alongside

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COUNTY NEWS NOTES

ITEMS FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS TELLING NEWS OF THE WEEK

CORYVILLE

Mother's Illness Called Her to New Jersey.—Interesting Items of the Week.

Mrs Fannie Ireland was called to Pleasantville New Jersey last Saturday on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Geo. Herzog of Farmers Valley was here recently.

The condition of Mrs. A. Taylor is no better at this writing. Dr. Humpreys of Port Allegany is attending her.

Last Friday evening while at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dawley of Larabee. Mrs. Oscar Carr, of this place, had the misfortune to fall on the ice and fracture her hip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sparks were guests of the latter's sister Mrs. Arthus Rice of Smethport Saturday.

Vernon Rees was a guest of relatives in Port Allegany over Sunday.

Arthur Wilson and Ray Mosier motored to Bradford Sunday.

E. A. Guenter was a business visitor in Eldred Wednesday last week.

Ray Mosier has purchased a new Ford car.

Dr. Whipple, veterinarian of Port Allegany made a professional call at John Rice's Saturday.

Geo. Rees was in Smethport Monday.

Miss Rowena Burdick of Idaho is visiting her sister's Mrs. Roy Clark and Mrs. Clinton Gales.

Miss Belle Cory and Mrs. Frank Shick were in Smethport Monday.

Mrs. Walter Morris of Walton, Pa., arrived Monday to visit her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Bray.

Mr. and Mrs. Orson Stull were Smethport visitors recently.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Fairchilds were in Eldred Saturday guests of their daughter, Mrs. Floyd Frank.

Mr. Andrew Washburne is again confined to his home with rheumatism Dr. Humphrey of Port Allegany was called.

Miss Pearl Taylor of Olean is here on account of the critical condition of her grand-mother, Mrs. A. Taylor.

Little Florence Taylor has whooping cough.

Mrs. Ella Holmes and daughter, Mrs. Geo. Moody attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Mitchell at Smethport Saturday.

CLERMONT

Taken to DuBois Hospital—Big Time March 18—Strangers in Town.

Supt. C. W. Lillibridge was a school visitor on Wednesday. The children always seem the better for his coming.

J. F. Keating was a Smethport caller Monday.

Royal Leffar of Buffalo, N. Y. is visiting his mother, Mrs. Cris Leffar.

W. E. Ringrose spent Sunday in Olean.

Mrs. McLaughlin and son, Anthony, after spending a few weeks at Wilcox returned to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Keating on Tuesday.

Charley Slight who spent a few days in St. Marys with his wife returned to Clermont on Wednesday.

Margaret Flickinger was a Smethport caller Wednesday.

We are down on oil stoves. Mrs. A Perry came near having a serious fire if reports are true. The loss of clothes seem to fall the hardest on Robert. Its a good thing Bob. Here was no prayer meeting or a dance on for a few nights or you would have had to remain at home.

A meeting held at the home of Miss Margaret Birmingham to decide about the entertainment to be given on St. Patricks day, as that day is Sunday, decided to have it on Monday evening. Have jolly dance and social come one, come all, and the dance bill is reasonable. Save your change boys. Bring your friends and have a good time.

Poor Mark Moyer! If the flood continues to drive everything into his cellar between Jacobson's store and the hotel we shall begin to wonder if he isn't related to Noah. We would advise him to build an Ark.

Oh! how the young ladies miss Mr. Walker for they have changed their meeting place from the post office to up street."

Dr. Emen of Mt. Jewett was in town Wednesday.

The patriotic mass meeting held in the Clermont hall on Friday night was a great success.

Jim Desifano of St. Marys was in town Saturday.

Burt Anderson was a Smethport caller Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Moyer and child were in Mt. Jewett on Thursday.

Joe Stiles and sister of Ridgway were visiting relatives in town this week.

Several of our people are suffering with colds and grip.

The M. E. Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Andrew Anderson. All reported a good time.

Mayor Kasey of Five Mile was in town Saturday.

Jim Ennis of Five Mile was in town Thursday.

George Stiles was a Smethport visitor Friday.

Tony Spadafore spent the week-end at Crosby.

Mrs. Frank Rizzo who is suffering with sugar diabetis was taken to the DuBois hospital on Monday.

James McCrady of Hazelhurst was in town Friday.

We have had more strangers in our city this last week than we ever had.

Mrs. Cris LeBar and son, Royal, were Smethport callers Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Spadafore and son were in Smethport Saturday.

MT. JEWETT

Hose Company Elects Officers—Boy Scouts at Kushequa—Bat Fall.

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Asst. Foreman, C. H. Trumble.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gahagan fell on an icy sidewalk on Anderson street on Wednesday noon and was quite badly injured. Her head struck the concrete walk rendering her insensible for a time. She is now recovering all right.

The Boy Scouts are being organized in Kushequa with an enrollment of eleven for a starter. Rev. E. S. Bardwell is the new Scout Master, C. M. Stedwell, a previous leader, is a valuable asisstant in the organizing.

E. A. Studholme, County Food Economist, and T. F. Hungiville, County Food Director, of Smethport, paid Mt. Jewett an official visit on Monday.—Herald.

COLEGROVE

Colegrove and Crosby Make Good Showing in Sale of War Saving Stamps.

A large number of Colegrove people attended the patriotic meeting at Crosby Sunday evening.

Mrs. W. H. Edmunds spent Monday with Mrs. C. Troedson of Crosby.

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Seth McGee entertained over fifty of their friends in honor of Mrs. McGee's birthday. Delicious refreshments were served and the late hour of departure of the guests speak for the good time.

Albin Anderson was a guest of Miss Edna Anderson Saturday evening. Mr. Anderson leaves Wednesday for Camp Upton, Yaphank, Long Island. He has hosts of friends here who are sending with him all good wishes for camp life and a safe return.

According to reports from other towns, we were fortunate in regard to damage done by water last week but even at that it's rather doubtful consolation when one knows that that damage done might have been averted if the P. R. R. wasn't so hard "up for pennies."

Smethport is patting itself on the back in regard to its sale of War Savings Stamps. Well done, Smethport, but, if the truth were known, Colegrove and Crosby have made just as good a showing, comparatively speaking, as our neighbor town. we'll warrant. And when it comes to Red Cross work, Crosby chapter keeps her record well up toward the top notch, we notice.

Gus Anderson went to Olean Tuesday to see the boys, of which his brother is one, off for Camp Upton. There's another attraction, too. Case of killing two birds with one stone.

Miss Grace Wilson was a Smethport visitor last week.

R. N. Wilson entertained C. A. Anderson, W. A. Hulett and F. B. Granter Saturday evening. Mrs. Wilson served a delicious lunch and the men reported a fine time.

LARABEE

News Notes of the Week—A Little Girl Arrived.

B. S. Taylor, Asst. county school Supt. of Bradford, called on Miss Lucy Robinson's school Tuesday.

James Shield visited friends in Roulette and Emporium Friday and Saturday.

Forrest Pendleton was an Olean visitor, Monday.

Mrs. Henry Raszmann and daughter Mrs. Kate Freeman were in Eldred, Tuesday.

Miss Lucy Robson was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. Fred Ribinson of Turtle Point.

Verne Lemon, who was drafted sometime ago, received notice to report at Bradford Monday morning. He left here Sunday evening on the flyer.

Floyd Moore of Eldred was in town, Sunday.

Mrs. Forrest Pendleton was an Eldred visitor, Monday.

Miss Letha Wood of Eldred was a Sunday guest of Miss Alberta Rice.

M. M. Carpenter, who is working in the coal mines at Mt. Alton, spent Sunday with his family here.

Miss Lucy Robson has been taking the Farm Census here this week.

Eros Carpenter was a business visitor in Smethport Monday.

Born, February 18th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Raszmann, a girl.

Louis Angelo has purchased a horse and carriage of M. M. Child.

Short Batch of Items Received too Late Last Week.

Mr. E. W. Jones of Smethport called on Eros Carpenter Wednesday.

Mrs. M. M. Childe is a guest of friends in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Haynes and daughter, Josephine, of Sartwell were Sunday visitors of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs Geo. Jones.

Wm. Wallace of Coryville was in town, Thursday.

J. E. Wright of Eldred called in town, Tuesday.

M. S. Comes of Marvindale was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Carey, Wednesday.

Harold Curtis, Robert Robson and the Misses Bertha Robinson and Elita Lemmex of Eldred High School visited the Larabee school, Monday.

M. and Mrs. F. Pendleton were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Swartout of Richburg, N. Y.

FARMERS VALLEY

Flood Comes Up and Down Like the Tide—Good Attendance at Grange.

Feb. 26, 1918.

Last week's flood has abated, come up again and once more is on the decline.

Mrs. Glenn Stull and daughters, Betty and Lee, are visiting Mrs. B. W. Richmond.

Miss Rita Roeder is confined to the house with measles.

Mrs. Frances Stull Tormey and Mrs. Richmond were Turtle Point visitors on Friday and Saturday.

There was a special, good attendance at Grange Saturday evening. Hope this continues as there are some interesting times planned for the future. Farm Bureau Agent Crossman is to meet with us two weeks from Saturday evening and initiation comes soon.

Mr. Pete Maloney and family are moving from the Roeder place to the Gray farm.

On Sunday March 3rd the church services will be especially devoted to missions.

Mr. L. Steinhauer was in Smethport on Monday.

Mr. A. L. Herzog was a Smethport caller on Tuesday.

Gladys Bray was home from Coleville over Sunday.

Mrs. Chet Young is suffering from a severe cold at this writing. Mr. Young is improving nicely, and it is expected he will be able to return from the Olean hospital the last of the week.

Mrs. Mosier is expecting to move her household goods from the old home onto the Hibbard place soon after March 1st.

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Mr and Mrs. Geo. Rockefeller were Smethport visitors on Monday.

Mrs. D. Leo Tormey of Portville is the guest of her sister, Mrs Bert Richmond for a few weeks

The Aid met Thursday Feb. 14 with Mrs. Wm. Swort. There was a good attendance and a fine lot of sewing done for the Red Cross. Next aid to meet Feb. 21—with Mrs. Geo Herzog.

Saturday February 23 the Grange is to begin a contest, which is hoped to increase and thus stimulate attendance. For farther information ask the leaders Sandford Decker and Ben Oviatt.

Mr. Meachim of Burtville was a Valley visitor on Thursday of last week.

After a week spent with his brother Joe McGill at Mr. D. W. Derby's, Mr. Frank McGill returned to his home in Oil City Monday.

Rev. W. D. Fullom former pastor here and son, Clifford were Valley callers on Thursday. Rev Fullom reports the country fine and the people all that can be desired at his new charge in Cochran, Crawford county.

Mr. and Mrs. Vin McGill and daughter, Marion and Bernice of Port Allegany were callers on Mr. and Mrs. Derby Sunday.

Mrs. A. L. Herzog and family have as a guest, Miss Nina Jewell of Buffalo.

Mr. Chet Young was taken to the Olean Hospital Friday for an operation from which he is rallied nicely and at last report was improving. His wife and daughter Mrs. Maude Fisher of Oil City accompanied him.

BUSH HILL

Short Personal Items of the Week's News.

George Young of Coleville, Pa., was a pleasant caller on Thos. Smith Thursday evening.

W. J. Oviatt visited the Bush Hill school Friday.

Albert Sebring who has been spending a few days with his mother has returned to his home in Bradford.

Misses Nellie and Margaret Smith was calling on Marie Hooley Monday evening.

Buell Strang of Wrights, Pa., was a Smethport business visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Sherman Manning and children who have been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Smith hove returned to their home in Perry, N. Y.

A number of young people held a crocheting club at the home of Thos. Smith Saturday evening.

C. W. Lillibridge visited the Bush Hill school Monday.

Mrs. Thos. Smith accompanied her daughter Mrs. Manning to Olean, N. Y. Monday.

HUTCHINS

Anthony Hoffman a Former Resident Died in Bradford—Personal Mention.

Miss Addie Wells of Johnsonburg spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here.

Martin Rathburn visited his daughter, Mrs. George Simmons at Ridgway Saturday.

Mrs. Godfred Hartman was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Karl Hines at Mt. Jewett Saturday.

Miss Lillian Larson was a Bradford visitor two days of last week.

M. Hall of Ridgway was a business visitor in town one day last week.

Mr. Hobart Perry left for his home at Wilkes Barre last week after spending a few days here with friends.

George Simpons spent one day last week with his family at Ridgway.

Anthony Hoffman a former resident of this place died at his home in Bradford last Wednesday morning in his 64 th year. He is survived by his wife, five sons, and four daughters. The remains were taken to St Marys for interment.

Norman McChesney was a Mt. Jewett caller Saturday evening.

E. Lavelle spent Sunday with his family at Mt. Jewett.

Henry Peterson of Ridgway was in town on business Monday.

J. W. Schriver spent Monday at Kasson visiting John Bloomster some time.

Miss Agnes Larson is spending a short time in Ridgway.

S. L. Johnson was a business visitor in Smethport Monday.

CROSBY

News of the Week Told in Short Interesting Items.

Services held in Crosby church last Sunday evening was very largely attended.

Milford Marsh of Straights spent Sunday at his home.

Mrs. Seth McGee of Colegrove gave a birthday party to a number of her friends Tuesday night, all reported a good time.

Richard Francis has so far recovered as to be out again.

Sam Nahirra was seen on our street Tuesday.

Pocahontas Sewing circle met with Mrs. Jennie Mattison Tuesday.

All who want to read a good story should subscribe for the MINER. 14 weeks for 50c. Story entitled "Over The Top." Here's where you get a good story besides all the news for 50c.

Mrs. Almira Westfall is spending some time visiting friends up Christian Hollow.

Mary Smith spent Sunday in Crosby.

Swan Bloomster was called here by the sudden illness of his father.

KANE

Fire Destroyed Three Buildings, says The Republican.

Damage of $12,500 was done by fire which early Friday morning destroyed three dwellings on the north side of Bayard street east of Hacker street and damaged two adjacent houses. Loss will be reduced by total insurance of $5,900. In zero weather occupants of some of the homes were driven out in night clothing, other personal effects being destroyed. Two of the houses belonging to J. Verdon of Bradford and Charles Natello owned the other.

PORT ALLEGANY

Sudden Death of E. Lampe—Soldiers Leave for Training Camp.

E. H. Lampe, a long time citizen of Port Allegany, died suddenly at his home on Mill street east, Thursday afternoon, at half past four o'clock. Seen in his usual health up till that time, and no warning was given of the approach of the dread messenger. A neighbor had called at the home and he and Mr. Lampe were engaged in a game of checkers when the latter was stricken. The neighbor hurried out for help and when he returned a few minutes later Mr. Lampe had passed on. Evidently he didn't move a muscle. He was born in Ramsen, Germany, on Christmas Day, 1846, and was in his seventy-second year.

Again death has saddened our community and has taken Mrs. R. S. Billingsby on Thursday night at eleven o'clock, after two years of intense suffering from complication of diseases. Margaret Billingsby was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerwick, Sr., former residents o tthis city. She was born at Whitestown, February 12th, 1855, and was 63 years of age at the time of her death. She was united in marriage to Robert S. Billingsby, at Slippery Rock, Pa., February 6th 1874, and to them were born three children.

Joseph Finn of Rock Run, died Monday night at 12 o'clock, following a stroke of appoplexy. He was 62 years of age at the time of his demise.

Father William O'Hern of Eldred; Father Doyle of Coudersport; and Father Donohue of Smethport passed Tuesday in town the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler.

Messrs Leo. Golden and Clyde Studer will leave Monday for Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. having been called in the draft.

Elmer Larson left Wednesday for Buffalo where he will enlist in the Navy and expects to leave Buffalo soon for Newport, Rhode Island.

H. R. Hilton left Monday for Washington, D. C., where he will pass a few days on business concerning the window glass factory.—Reporter.

NORWICH

Red Cross is Active and Everyone is Doing War Work.

The Ladies Aid had a carpet rag pie social Saturday night they raised seventeen dollars.

J. F. Armstrong and John Holquist are business visitors in Buffalo this week.

Mrs. J. R. Logan and son Jack, are visiting Mrs. Logans mother in Olean.

Miss Clara Kerbs is a business visitor in Bradford.

Mrs. Thomas White was a week end visitor in Ridgway.

Mrs. Wm. Brown came home Saturday from Ridgway bringing her son from the hospital with her. He is rapidly gaining after being operated on for appendicitis.

Lyle Ely went to Washington to enlist and do his bit for Uncle Sam.

The Soldiers Comfort Club sent four boxes to our town boys in service, just as soon as they can get the addressis of the rest they will send same to them. They intend to send the boys a box once a month any one wishing to send things please consult Miss Krebs.

Our Red Cross is certainly doing their bit they have over two hundred dollars in the treasury. By the way we did not notice any acc't of our box of things in the Red Cross items.

Miss Ellen Wagoner has accepted a position in Smith Bros Store.

Joseph Green has accepted a position in Buffalo.

Mrs. John Paxton is able to be out again.

Miss Emma Guncheon of Buffalo was an over Sunday visitor at her brothers home W. C. Guncheon.

Allen McAulay and Harry Spangler of Emporium were Sunday visitors in town.

Orphie Brown and Mildred Nickerson of Emporium visited at the home of Wm. Brown Sunday.

Mrs. Jefferson Walker is visiting in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Peterson went to Portville Tuesday to consult Dr. McCary about Mrs. Peterson who has been in poor health for about six months.

Roy Andrews has returned from DuBoise and accepted a position in the Lath mill.

Supt. C. W. Lillibridge of Smethport gave a very interesting talk on the food subject Saturday night in the M. E. church.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF McKEAN COUNTY.
No. 16, February Term 1918.

In re petition of Western New York and Pennsylvania Railway Company for Appointment of Viewers to Assess Damages to Lands in Eldred Township, Claimed to be owned by the Estate of Byron Alford, et al.

To Mary Alford, Nora Delphine Mutherscough, Bessie Wilmina Norton, Nora Bessie Wilmina Connell, Estate of C. V. B. Rose and all other parties interested:

Take notice that the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County has approved the bond filed by the Western New York and Pennsylvania Railway Company in the above case, and has appointed C. W. Shattuck, Esq., Trustee at Bren, to represent the interest of Nora Delphine Mutherscough et al, and those in remainder, and has appointed C. M. Colegrove, surveyor, T. H. Morrison, attorney, and C. S. King as viewers in said proceeding.

You are hereby notified that the said viewers will attend to the duties of their said appointment and will meet upon the premises described in said petition in the Township of Eldred on the 23rd day of March 1918 at ten o'clock a. m. when and where all parties interested may appear and will be heard as directed by the order of said court.

C. M. COLEGROVE,
T. H. MORRISON,
C. S. KING, Viewers.

F. D. GALLUP,
Solicitor for W. N. Y. & P. Ry. Co.
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